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Academy pupils and teachers pay respects to inspirational principal



WELL RESPECTED: Folkestone Academy staff and pupils marched in honour of late founding principal John Patterson (inset)

BY NICK AMES

ONE thousand balloons were released into the air and a thousand children walked solemnly through the streets of Folkestone on Friday as a school remembered its founding principal who died of cancer.

Staff and pupils took the afternoon off lessons to remember the contribution to the Folkestone Academy of John Patterson, who passed away aged 57 in April.

He had been head of the school since it opened its doors in September last year and was an extremely well-regarded figure both in the staff room and classrooms and across the field of education.

Acting principal Louise McGowan paid tribute, reading a message to those gathered for the ceremony outside the school.

"We are here today to remember and pay tribute to the truly wonderful man who was our much-loved and respected founding principal, John Patterson," she said.

"In the relatively short time he was part of our lives, John managed to endear himself to all of us in some way."

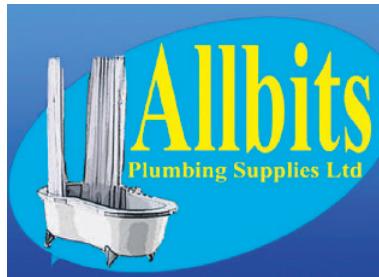
"Students looked up to him, staff were inspired by him, his close leadership team were in awe of him. The 1,000 balloons represent the 1,000 children and young people John loved so dearly.

"As they rise up to the sky, so will our hearts lift up in his treasured memory."

The procession then left the school and wound its way through the town, ending up at the Leas Cliff Hall for a private service.

Pupil John Stone, 15, said: "Mr Patterson was a well-respected figure and this is our way of honouring him."

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RED AND YELLOW: Dancers led the carnival from the harbour on its journey to The Leas

# International beat for raft of festive fun

■ BY NICK AMES

FOLKESTONE had a day-long party on Saturday with the Harbour Festival and Charivari parade attracting thousands of spectators.

Entertainment kicked off on the sands with the annual raft race attracting teams inspired by Dr Who, Rambo and pirates.

Other events included Knockout-style mock fights and the chance to try to pull a truck along by a rope.

Businesses, especially cafés and galleries along Tontine Street and the Old High Street, also reported an increased number of customers.

Bands played alongside the harbour, and music also came from offshore with Radio Celeste broadcasting from the boat of the same name which was covered in mirrored tiles.

Special handsets enabled visitors to the festival to hear a soundtrack which focused on the cultural life and history of Folkestone – specifically writer HG Wells, who lived in Sandgate – together with sounds

recalling the great days of pirate radio.

Folkestone town mayor Peter Gane was one person who donned headphones to listen to the broadcast.

"Very interesting and unusual," he said while watching the Celeste itself negotiate heavy seas as it approached the harbour.

"This is one of Folkestone's best days of the year and it's great to see so many people out and about seeing what the town has to offer."

The event was run to raise funds for the Royal National Lifeboat Institute and the Dover lifeboat Institute and the Dover lifeboat team up alongside the docks to give people a look around.

The Charivari carnival started out down at the harbour before wending its way through the Old High Street to The Leas. It was led by a team of dancers who drew inspiration from street parades across the world.

Bystander Philippa Evans, who had come to the town from Hythe, said: "I have been going to this for a few years now and it's always a great day out. It was lucky the weather was OK, all we had was one shower and so it really didn't rain on anyone's parade."

• For a look at what went on in the town on Saturday go to [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk).

## Parents shock as prep school to shut down

WESTBROOK House preparatory school has closed its doors due to a shortage of pupils and a financial loss.

Parents were sent notification last week after the end of summer term saying children would be unable to attend classes during the following academic year, which starts in the autumn.

The school in Folkestone was funded by the ex-Saga boss, millionaire Roger De Haan.

Staff said they needed to attract more pupils for it to survive.

Trevor Minter, school spokesman, said: "Unfortunately that didn't happen and with a very heavy heart the governors decided on Wednesday that they would not open the school in September.

"We were looking for recruitment to add to the numbers which would have kept the school open.

"It was an impossible situation where we couldn't warn people any quicker than we did."

But parents say they were upset at being given so little notice.

Claire Littlefield, who has a child at Westbrook, said: "We've supported this school for years through the different changes – all the parents have."

"And now we've been completely let down."

### Redundancy

Teachers at the school now face the possibility of redundancy and only learnt of the closure one day before the end of term.

A statement issued by the school this week read: "The governors of Westbrook House School are sorry to announce its closure with effect from the end of the summer term 2008.

"Numbers at the school have fallen below a sustainable level, despite high levels of financial support amounting to some £4 million since 2002, and the free use and maintenance of most of the school buildings.

"Governors have been faced with the prospect of losses in the region of £250,000 a year.

"In the current financial climate they have reluctantly concluded there is no chance of pupil numbers reaching a viable level.

"The most important priority is the continuing education of the school's pupils.

"After discussions with a number of other independent schools, alternative provision for pupils is being recommended at Dover College, which, depending on how many pupils transfer from Westbrook House, may be in a position to take on several of the teaching staff."



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# Reservations left after an inspector calls

## Reality TV's not welcome at this hotel

### EXCLUSIVE

■ BY NICK AMES

GUEST house owner Sue Cooper, whose Garden Lodge is set to feature in the new series of Hotel Inspector, has vowed never to take part in a reality TV show again.

Her family-run business in Densole was approached by the show's producers Channel 5 to feature in the series, which offers makeovers and advice to premises from experts to boost trade.

The programme became a hit when celebrated hotelier Ruth Watson was presenter. It is now hosted by Alex Polizzi, niece of millionaire hotel chain-owner Sir Rocco Forte.

Sue said that she thought it was a

joke when she was first approached. "I took the call and had some difficulty believing it was true until I rang back," she said.

"The producers said they would like me to appear and suggested I watched some of the shows. I did and contacted other hotel owners who had taken part.

"They told me to go for it and said business had boomed and the TV people had helped with great makeovers that made their premises look really good. But all they did for me was paint a room a shade of magnolia and break a wardrobe."

#### Popular

Sue said she asked the production team what more they were going to do for her, only to be told that a change in people at the top had led to fears the show would not be as popular as it had been.

"They just said the money wasn't there as the budget had been cut," said Sue, who was told the show fea-

turing her establishment would go out next month.

She also was annoyed at some of the criticism she faced.

"The TV people said my lounge was full of 'cheap tat' and looked like a shop," said Sue. "But I have a collection of limited-edition works."

"They then said people don't want to relax in a family room – they want to be in private. Well, they do if they go to some hotels, but this is a family-run establishment and people know what they are going to get."

Resisting plans to change the use of some of her rooms, Sue decided to construct a conservatory as a guest lounge.

"But when I spoke to many, they said they'd much rather spend time in the lounge" she said.

The final straw came when Sue looked at the TV company's website.

"It said they were asked to come in and help failing businesses," she

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## Man helped old lady then stole from her

A NOT-so-good Samaritan who helped an elderly woman but then stole from her is being hunted by police.

Officers want to hear from anyone who may have seen a man walking around in the Firs Lane area of Cheriton early on the morning of Sunday, July 13.

A police spokesman said: "An 87-year-old lady had fallen on the driveway of her home and a man who was passing helped her to get up.

"He helped her get inside her house and then stole a blue canvas shopping bag. He is white, aged 30-40, of medium build and 5ft 8in tall."

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## Reserve babies go ape for new life in the wild

THREE baby western lowland gorillas have started a new life in the central African state of Gabon.

Kouki and Oudiki, both almost two years old, and baby Tiya were taken by plane from the UK courtesy of Sir Richard Branson before a helicopter flight took them to their new home on a protected reserve.

The animals are part of the breeding and release programme of the Port Lympne and Howletts wildlife parks founded by John Aspinall.

They will be looked after by human "surrogate parents" as they adapt to their new lives.

Damian Aspinall accompanied them to Africa and said: "This is a continuation of the work of my father, who would have been overjoyed to see what we are doing."

"The gorillas will be taken for walks every day and in a few



AT HOME: The gorillas have surrogate parents to help them settle in to the jungle years they will be ready for life in the jungle. They have adjusted extremely well so far and everything is going according to plan."

The Aspinall Foundation has reintroduced 51 gorillas to Africa in total.

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## It's a strange cargo but it wins awards

ARTISTIC foundation Strange Cargo has won a total of four awards – with the latest in Barcelona for the Other People's Photographs project.

Director Brigitte Orasinski went to the Spanish city to receive an honorary mention award in the European Prize for Urban Public Space.

The group also picked up the Arts, Culture and Heritage Award at the ninth Annual Charity Awards in London.

The two triumphs follow on from wins in the community category of the Arts and Business South East Award and the Creative Champion Award, the top prize at the recent event awarded to the best project selected from the seven winning entries.

Other People's Photographs involved communities in collecting pictures taken by camera of the people of Folkestone, Sandgate and Cheriton.

## Festival war of words

FOLKESTONE'S literary festival will be focusing on the 90th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

The annual event will this year be held from Saturday to Sunday, November 1-9.

The festival is being supported by the Creative Foundation, which was founded by Roger De Haan, and is also behind the building of Quarterhouse in Tontine Street which will be a base for the event.

Quarterhouse is due to be officially opened in the autumn and will have three bars and a restaurant.

The venue's hall will be able to hold 250 people seated or 500 standing.

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Myleene Klass talks to reporter Julie Maddocks in Dover

# Tiny church hosts bishop who's rocking the world

CONTROVERSIAL cleric Gene Robinson – the world's first openly gay and non-celebrate Anglican bishop – attracted a full house to tiny St Rumwold's Church in Bonington on Friday.

Some 100 people packed the pews to hear him speak on what Dr Ted Harrison, of the church's parochial council, called "his own story".

The Right Reverend Robinson, 61, Bishop of the US diocese of New Hampshire, was not invited by Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams to the Lambeth Conference, which comprises Anglican bishops from across the world and is held just once a decade.

The Rt Rev Robinson was appointed to his position five years ago. He had been ordained and married and started a family but he went public with his sexuality in the 1980s.

His revelations started with the announcement of a divorce and caused outrage in some circles, particularly in southern US states.

And his appointment still threatens to split

the Anglican community with many conservatives outraged.

During the lecture in the Romney Marsh church he was challenged on his lifestyle.

One person quoted the Book of Leviticus, Chapter 18 Verse 22: "Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination."

Dr Harrison said: "Others quoted further Bible verses but nothing from the Gospels – as Jesus himself never said anything about homosexuality."

The Bishop talked about the words themselves and referred back to the original language in which they had been written and the cultural background.

He said how people in the past had used verses from the Bible to justify slavery which, of course, just does not happen now.

Bishop Robinson said that in due course people will re-examine the words on homosexuality in a similar light and the Christian commu-

nity will be one in which everyone can be included."

Bishop Robinson attended a picnic in Canterbury at the weekend organised by a gay and lesbian Christian group and is due to take part in several fringe meetings which are being held in conjunction with the conference.

The previous weekend the Bishop spoke at St Mary's Church in Putney.

The St Rumwold's series of lectures are in their fifth year and have been organised by Dr Harrison who is a former religious correspondent for the BBC.

He said that in the past speakers had come from a wide range of backgrounds and discussion has taken place on many facets of Christian beliefs.



SPEECH: Bishop Robinson

## HERE WE COME!

Little egrets are an increasingly common sight in south Kent, notably in the Romney Marsh and Dungeness area, as the species, once hunted relentlessly for its plumage across continental Europe, establishes a foothold here.

The birds, which are small white herons, have been occurring in greater numbers across southern England as they take advantage of increasingly milder winters.

Their original European stronghold was in the Mediterranean area, but they spread north before almost being wiped out on the Continent a century ago to provide feathers for women's hats.

Conservationist Martyn Nicholls said: "Previously the species would only be a short-term visitor to these shores."

"Now the increased average temperatures mean that conditions are excellent for it to establish nests as it needs to live near water with a ready source of food."

One of the country's healthiest colonies is at the Northward Hill RSPB reserve in north Kent.



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# The Chelsea tractors that are wrecking Dungeness

■ BY NICK AMES

OFF-ROADING 4x4 'Chelsea tractor'-style vehicles are causing permanent damage to the fragile shingle shore of Dungeness – internationally recognised as a habitat for plants and wildlife.

Environmentalists say some drivers treat the shore – with its mixture of isolated wartime structures, hills and dips, gravel pits and wide open spaces – as nothing more than an adventure playground, racing their heavy cars and ripping through vegetation.

And because the landscape is so fragile, wheel ruts will last for decades and cause permanent devastation to the landscape.

Recent figures show that 108 drivers of 4x4 vehicles have been sent warning letters by environmental protection body Natural England after driving across the shingle.

Almost three-quarters were anglers taking advantage of the fishing and large numbers of cod, bass and mackerel offshore.

A Special Nature Conservation Order is in force in the area to protect the 600 types of plants there – one third of all the UK species – rare moths, beetles, butterflies and spiders, as well as the internationally-renowned bird sanctuary.

Fines of up to £25,000 can be issued to repeat offenders, but members of the Romney Marsh Countryside Project say they would prefer to educate visitors about the dangers that off-roading causes.

Spokesman Owen Leyshon said: "The problem with the 4x4s is that more people have them and more people than ever before are coming to Dungeness."

"It's not everyone who is guilty of this, but there are people who come and see the open spaces, the unusual architecture from the Napoleonic era and Second World War and the isolated homes, the mini railway, the power station and the shoreline as a sort of adventure playground."

"It seems there is a perception that it's all just a fun park."

"They seem to think they can drive over it without a thought for the damage they are causing to the fragile plants trying to get a



NO CONCERN: An off-road vehicle at Dungeness

foothold and grow amid the shingle. Well, that is not the case. They are causing untold damage and because of the way the shingle lies the tracks remain for years."

Dungeness attracts some 600,000 visitors a year – attracted by the small-gauge railway, the lighthouses and power station as well as the art galleries and curio shops which have sprung up in recent years.

Conservationists say that this number is set to rise and are pleased people are taking an interest.

"But we just want them to be careful and show some respect to the landscape and the people who live here as well," said Mr Leyshon.

"Last week I saw a 4x4 with some anglers who couldn't be bothered to park in a designated lay-by and just drove down a homeowner's private road before drawing up under the power station walls right by the sea.

"I went to talk to them – with a group of police officers, some carrying weapons. They moved off, but it shows how people are treating the area and with what lack of concern."

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## Realms of music from local band

Enjoy the first music video from Realm79, who are based in Folkestone and have been gigging for a few years. The band mainly cater for private functions and weddings, but recently they have started writing their second album. This is a track off the first album – it is called Crazy Maybe and is the first song they wrote. To contact them, you can email [theband@realm79.co.uk](mailto:theband@realm79.co.uk), or visit the website [www.realm79.co.uk](http://www.realm79.co.uk).

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Green fingers soon to be busy on new allotments

GARDENERS in Hawkinge will soon have their own allotments which could be producing fruit and vegetables in 2009.

Shepway council has agreed to offer 2.33 acres of land bordering Stombers Lane to Hawkinge Parish Council on a 30-year lease for use as allotments.

The formal paper work is still to be approved because the land lies within Dover District Council's borders.

District councillor David Godfrey is confident the allotments will be available by spring.

He said: "This is a good example of partnership working and is also a tribute to Eileen Blythe, chairman of the Hawkinge Allotments Society, who has worked relentlessly to secure allotments for the village."

Mrs Blythe said there were already 35 paid-up members of the society.

She added: "We got ourselves organised and formed the society which is affiliated to the National Association of Leisure and Allotment Holders."

"We wanted people to see that we were serious about the allotments."

### Soundwaves in the park will attract the crowds

BANDS will be performing at Folkestone's Coastal Park opposite the Mermaid Café on Saturday, with the event starting at 3pm.

The show, entitled Soundwaves, has been set up by the Go Folkestone group which promotes cultural activities in the town.

It will feature acts including Battleska Galactica, Luca and Some Peepshow.

The show, which will also feature a number of DJs playing music of differing styles, is expected to attract a good crowd and the organisers emphasise that it is all free of charge.

### Police call for witnesses to mallet attack on man

A MAN was hit with a rubber mallet in a bizarre attack in Westbourne Gardens, Folkestone, which took place on the evening of Tuesday, July 1.

The 32-year-old victim was assaulted by a man described as being white but tanned, of medium build and in his early 30s.

He was about 5ft 8in tall and had short blond hair.

The attacker was driving a white van and had a brown dog in the passenger seat.

A police spokesman said: "We would like to hear from anyone who witnessed this incident."



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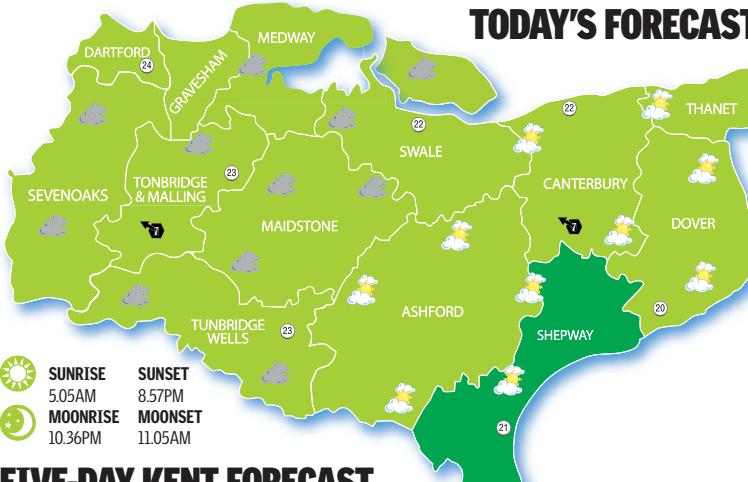
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<b>Dungeness</b>	Saturday	3:38pm	7.5m
	Sunday	4:25pm	7.3m
<b>Ramsgate</b>	Saturday	4:12pm	4.9m
	Sunday	4:58pm	4.8m
<b>Sheerness</b>	Saturday	5:11pm	5.5m
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<b>Canterbury</b>	21°C	22°C	23°C	25°C	24°C
<b>Chatham</b>	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C
<b>Dartford</b>	24°C	24°C	26°C	27°C	26°C
<b>Dover</b>	20°C	20°C	21°C	22°C	20°C
<b>Faversham</b>	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C
<b>Folkestone</b>	20°C	20°C	21°C	22°C	20°C
<b>Gillingham</b>	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C

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<b>Gravesend</b>	24°C	24°C	26°C	27°C	26°C
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<b>Ramsgate</b>	21°C	22°C	23°C	25°C	24°C
<b>Rochester</b>	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C
<b>Sevenoaks</b>	23°C	22°C	24°C	25°C	24°C
<b>Sittingbourne</b>	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C
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<b>Tun Wells</b>	23°C	23°C	25°C	27°C	25°C

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<b>Hong Kong</b>	33°C	<b>Warsaw</b>	15°C
<b>Las Palmas</b>	25°C	<b>Wellington</b>	13°C

# 'My business isn't failing'

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said. "Well, one – we are not failing – and two, I never asked them to come in – they asked me."

"This is the last time I have anything to do with reality TV."

A statement from Channel Five about the upcoming programme was given to Sue.

It reads: "Sue and Ron Cooper's family-run guest house is only two miles from the Channel Tunnel and should be getting its fair share of trade."

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"The guest house is completely stuffed with personal belongings and collectables, all belonging to its fiercely protective owner Sue Cooper. Pixie plates and Toby jugs cover every available shelf and wall.

"What Alex calls an 'overwhelming and ghastly experience' provides the battleground for a continuing confrontation."

The show airs on Thursday, August 14. To listen to Sue's views go to [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk).

## Roads face disruption

THE giant propellers which form part of the wind turbines currently being erected on Romney Marsh resumed their road journeys across the county this week.

Two convoys of massive trucks, 47 metres in length including their trailers, are now due each weekday until July 31. A total of 48 blades will be delivered from Chatham docks via the M20 to the A2070 and the A259 before arriving at the site at Little Cheyne Court.

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### SONIA MacDUFF



**Q&A**

Photographer Sonia MacDuff from Folkestone has tracked down RAF Battle of Britain veterans and pictured them sitting in front of a Hurricane fighter at the Battle of Britain memorial at Capel-le-Ferne

**Q** You have just produced a unique photograph – can you tell us about it?

**A** It's a work of photographic art which recreates one of the most iconic photographs of the Second World War and has been created to honour the pilots of the RAF who flew during the Battle of Britain.

The original picture showing pilots lounging in front of their aircraft at Hawkinge air base was taken to aid recruiting and it became a symbolic image of the bravery and attitude of the heroes of The Few appearing in countless books and articles.

**Q** I understand one man appears in the original and also in your re-creation

**A** Yes, one man – Peter Brothers – actually appears in both pictures, first as a dashing fighter pilot and in the re-creation as an elderly gentleman.

The other men were all pilots during the Battle and played an important part in the victory over Hitler's Luftwaffe which destroyed the threat of a Nazi invasion of Britain.

**Q** How did you become interested in all this?

**A** Growing up as I did in a bed-and-breakfast in this area, I used to see many people arrive who came to see where the Battle of Britain was fought.

Some were veterans, and some were family members – but all of them grabbed totally my attention.

**Q** What is your background?

**A** After working for a picture agency in the West Country, I moved back to Folkestone and started my Local Heroes project which shows residents of Shepway re-creating famous pictures of the past.

These have included a Quadrophenia-style mod, a ladies football team emulating the England side of 1966, and workers balanced on a girder as they constructed the Bouverie Place shopping centre – rather than swinging in the skies over New York during skyscraper construction.

I wanted to show the people of Folkestone doing unusual things and it is a tribute to those who live in the area.

**Q** You obviously like living in the town...

**A** Yes I do. There is a real energy here and so many creative people. This town is becoming a major hub for the arts and has so much to offer in so many different ways – art, photography, sculpture. Then there is the Triennial, which is brilliant and has brought in so many visitors.

**Q** And the local heroes project progressed to the pilot picture?

**A** Yes, I knew I had to do something with the pilots – especially as that famous photo was taken at Hawkinge. I went to the memorial day at Capel last year and spent the entire

time running around getting them to agree.

And the veterans did – they all posed up happily, except for Peter, who went off for a nap. But I had to have him in as he was in the original, so I persuaded him to come back the next day. Using the computer, I got him in there – but he's the only one not wearing his medals.

**Q** You then traced them back to their homes to get their signatures – that must have been a real task...

**A** Yes, they are dotted all over the country.

**Q** Why do you consider this important?

**A** Works like this help people to remember the sacrifice of those involved in the Battle, as well as educating new generations as to its importance. I did it as a tribute. I feel an incredible humility and wanted to say thank you to those men who really did stop me from having to speak German as a first language.

**Q** What are your future plans?

**A** I want to continue to work with veterans of the Battle of Britain as there stories are ones which need to be heard. They are the voices of history and it is important that they are recorded, and the sacrifice of the people who did not make it home to their families after the war is acknowledged. Coming generations all need to be made aware of what went on in the skies above this county in the summer of 1940.

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# Drug arrests rise after dealers are targeted

■ BY NICK AMES

CRIME across the county has dropped by 10.3 per cent in the last year, according to the latest statistics.

A total of 15,133 fewer offences were committed between April, last year, and this March, compared with the previous year.

But the same figures revealed an rise of 18 per cent in offences relating to drugs.

Reductions were seen in the areas of violent crime, criminal damage, burglary and vehicle crime.

Police say the rise in drugs offences is a result of the work undertaken to destroy networks.

The force said the total of 3,524 recorded drugs offences – up 548 on 2007 – was because of officers' success in destroying supply networks.

Assistant Chief Constable Gary Beatridge called the latest figures "good news".

He said: "It is encouraging that the number of crimes being committed continues to fall even now and we will work hard to continue to improve the reductions we've seen in the last year."

Police said across the county the chances of being a victim of crime are decreasing, with 80 offences to every 1,000 persons.

This figure is higher than in the neighbouring county of Surrey, but police have stressed a "like for like" comparison is not appropriate as Kent has more areas of deprivation.

Mr Beatridge said: "The commitment of Kent Police, our officers and staff, and the help we receive from the public have all contributed towards this excellent achievement in tackling and reducing crime.

"Our neighbourhood policing teams have formed close relationships with the communities they are protecting and serving, enabling officers to deal with local crime issues more easily."

He added that the increase in reported drug offences was a reflection of the good work of officers in this area.



HARD KNOCKS: A police officer forces open a door during a raid targeting a class A drugs network in Maidstone

"Context must be applied here, as this shows we are targeting drug dealers," he said.

"No one wants to see dealers in the midst of a community, selling drugs to children. If we are

contacted by concerned people we will act to combat this menace. My message to the drug dealers is: watch out. We will come after you and you will end up in prison."

## KCC defends Zimbabwe shares link

THE Green Party has accused Kent County Council of supporting Robert Mugabe's "despotic" regime in Zimbabwe.

The party claims KCC has more than a £100 million in shares in companies which have some involvement with the troubled African state. They say the authority has ignored calls for an ethical investment policy.

The Greens say KCC has £109.5 million invested in companies they claim have links with Zimbabwe.

These are mining groups Anglo American and Rio Tinto, oil giants BP and Shell and banks Standard Chartered and Barclays.

Spokesman Stuart Jeffrey said: "The Mugabe regime has been condemned by all the major parties in the UK, yet county councillors refuse to consider the effects of their inaction.

"Councillors should be called to account for their part in supporting unethical investments in the face of almost universal condemnation.

"David Cameron has called for his party to examine its morals when it comes to investing, yet both Tory and Lib Dem councillors are prepared to maintain investments."

A KCC spokesman said: "The council is responsible for the management of the £2.6 billion Kent pension fund. The fund covers about 200 public sector employers in the county and has about 40,000 scheme members and another 40,000 pensioners.

"The fund committee has to get the best returns it can, otherwise the burden of the costs of pensions could fall on taxpayers. We leave decisions about which companies to invest in to investment managers as we need to maximise our returns and hold the managers accountable for their performance."

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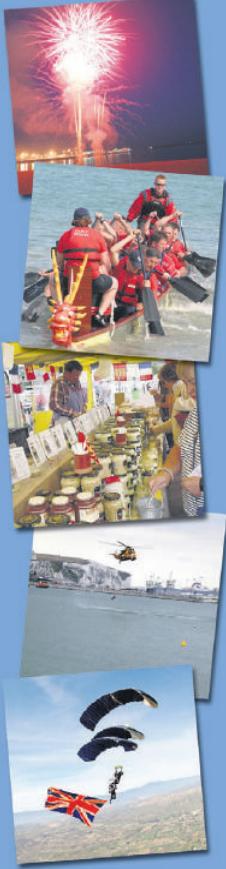
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# Hook up with a book for the Kent Year of Reading

BY FAITH RIDING

LIFE is so much better when you read – an enduring message and one that is at the heart of the 2008 Kent Year of Reading – the county's contribution to the national campaign.

Designed to boost literacy levels and encourage everyone to make reading part of their daily lives, the year-long programme was launched at County Hall in Maidstone in April.

School children joined Kent County Council cabinet members on a sofa, a bed and deckchairs for a morning of storytelling, to help illustrate great places to read.

Getting as many people as possible involved in the campaign has been made easier thanks to a broad programme of events in the county libraries.

There was a 'Living Library' in Sevenoaks – one of only four nationwide – which allowed customers to borrow people from different professions and walks of life for a conversation, and a 'Library in the Park' in Dartford which opened on July 1 so that books could be browsed and borrowed in the great outdoors.

## Inspiration

Other activities have included incentive schemes to encourage reading, author talks and a song writing competition in Dover – reinforcing the message that the skill of reading is vital in all aspects of life including music.

More activities are planned – the most immediate is this year's Reading Challenge which has an Olympic theme and encourages young people to spend some of the long summer break with their noses in books.

The campaign has also been the inspiration behind the Kent Story – county council leader Paul Carter penned an opening chapter for 12 books, one for each district, which are travelling from school to school with pupils writing their



BOOKS FOR ALL: These children joined in the fun for an initiative designed to encourage us all to enjoy the written word

own contribution to continue the tales.

The project is being guided by the imaginations of the county's young writers and artists and the finished books will be put on display at County Hall and then in libraries across the county.

Work is also going on with prison inmates, young offenders and adult learners – with a focus on how improved literacy levels can open doors and radically change prospects at work and at home.

"At the heart of all this activity is the determination to change people's attitudes to reading, particularly among those who don't consider it important or relevant to their lives," says strategic manager Gill Bromley, who is leading the project.

"The Kent Year of Reading is not just about events – although these are a wonderful way to encourage the community to get involved.

"Our main aim is to target those people for whom reading presents a challenge or isn't that important.

## Vital

"The best way to change this mindset is to encourage and promote the idea that literacy can help in so many aspects of life – it's not just about settling down with a novel – but vital for surfing the net, applying for a passport or even reading the instructions on the microwave."

What about 2009 and beyond – will all this activity just stop? "Absolutely not," says Ms Bromley. "The most important thing for us will be to establish the Kent Year of Reading's legacy and ensure that this commitment to improving literacy levels and generating reading passion continues. Every year should be a Year of Reading."

## Officers to lead way with e-life initiative

A LEADERSHIP Academy has been launched by Kent police to develop the abilities of all officers – from police community support officers to area commanders.

It will record each participant's developing abilities on the force's internal internet – giving officers an "e-life" of how they are getting on in the training programmes.

The academy was set up at the request of Chief Constable Michael Fuller, at the force headquarters in Maidstone, to spot and develop leadership talent and, ultimately, achieve higher standards of performance.

The academy training is being tailored specifically to Kent's needs.

This includes live simulation training to test leadership and decision-making skills in a range of scenarios and critical incident situations.

Participants update their "e-life" regularly to show how their approach to their day-to-day work has benefited.

Mr Fuller said: "Leadership is important at every level in the force.

"We look to select leaders who inspire, motivate, set standards, support their staff and recognise good work.

"This is why I was keen to invest in ensuring we have skilled and talented leaders for the future.

"I believe, through an innovative approach to training that includes live simulation of a range of scenarios our leaders could encounter, we will continue to improve our performance.

"The feedback from those who have already taken part in the programme has been resoundingly positive."

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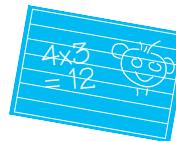
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**DELICIOUS:** Kyle Strange and Megan Lucas of the Folkestone Academy with their money-making creations

■ BY ROB LIVINGSTONE

TWO Folkestone Academy pupils have pulled on their oven-gloves to raise money for children's charity the NSPCC.

Megan Lucas, 13, and Kyle Strange, 14, were so inspired by a talk from the NSPCC's Max Tillings and Katrina Roach to their Marine cadet unit in Folkestone that they convinced their head of house, Peter Goodman, to make the organisation their house charity.

The pair then went on to organise pupils and teachers to bake enough cakes for a cake sale, which raised £74 towards the NSPCC's campaign to stop child abuse.

As well as running the cake stall, Megan and Kyle put up posters around the academy to raise awareness of the work of the NSPCC and Childline, the free hotline that offers children advice and support.

Mr Goodman was thrilled by his pupils' initiative.

He said: "That was the beauty of it – the two pupils came to me and said 'We're working with this charity – can we bring it into the school?'.

"I immediately said yes, and they went to work with Robin Starr, our development

tutor, who helped them work out the practical details."

Mr Goodman said other pupils at the academy got behind Megan and Kyle when they found out what the pair were selling.

"We have a healthy-eating policy at the academy, with controlled levels of salt and sugar, so when they heard that there was a cake stall everyone became interested!"

Mr Tilling, chairman of the Canterbury NSPCC branch, said: "Kyle and Megan showed great initiative in making education fun.

"Their work encompassed learning life skills and dealing with responsibility while helping to raise awareness of the NSPCC's work to stop cruelty to children."

Ms Roach, secretary of the branch, said: "It is fantastic to see young children doing something for the community and for a charity organisation they feel passionate about."

"We would like to thank both Mr Goodman and the academy for allowing the children to use some of their valuable school time for the cause."

The NSPCC campaigns to end child abuse through its Full Stop campaign, as well as running the Childline hotline, which provides support and advice to children and teenagers.

The Childline number is 0808 800 5000. For more information about the NSPCC and its campaigns, visit [www.nspcc.org](http://www.nspcc.org).

### BREAK TIME

## Never too young to think of future



CAREERS Day at St Nicholas Primary School New Romney was an event that showed young people are always keen to see what they will end up doing in later life.

Local and national organisations supported the day, with representatives from companies and organisations on hand to talk to the pupils about their jobs and explain the duties they entail.

Exhibitors included the emergency services such as Kent Fire and Rescue, police and lifeboat crews, as well as florists, hairdressers and chefs.

The NHS, Sainsbury's and South Kent

College were also represented at the event.

The day was organised by Irene Hills, study support supervisor at St Nicholas, who has the task of helping the children discover what possibilities there are in the world of work – as well as to extend their horizons beyond Romney Marsh.

Heralded a great success, and with support from Business Link South Kent Enterprise Gateway, there are already plans for a second business day at the school in 2009.

For more on the day, take a look at [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk) and click on the Business Channel.

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## Cheer up, it might never happen. Summer, that is

SEASONAL Affective Disorder, you may remember, was the affliction of choice a few years back.

It was the reason, we were told, so many of us feel glum during the winter months. A lack of bright light apparently turns some of us a little blue.

It's a catchy little title for what many would consider simply our natural reaction to cold dark nights and, well, cold dark days.

Few of us manage to raise much of a smile, after all, when we wake up to darkness, endure a day of darkness in the office, then make the jaunt home by the power of moonlight. Assuming, of course, it's not cloudy. Which it normally is.

We don't even get a bit of snow any more to lighten the mood and give us all a couple of extra days at home smuggling under the duvet, popping out to build the obligatory snowman and chuck a few icy snowballs in some poor unfortunate's direction.

But by April, in theory, the gloom lifts and so

do your spirits. So imagine how frustrating 2008 must be for those with a penchant for a dose of SAD every year. No sooner does the sun poke its warm little head out from behind a cloud than everything else goes to pot.

You may have been saving during those rainy days for a bit of a summer splurge, but instead that cash is now going on a splash of petrol.

We hardly need reminding that petrol prices have rocketed faster than Lewis Hamilton out of the pits, or that fuel bills are hotting up to an overdraft-nudging level.

And while the housing market belly flops like a sumo wrestler plummeting from a ten-storey building, there isn't much to put that smile on the face of the SAD sufferer.

Which is a shame, because summers are supposed to be one long, hot affair, where we all don flip-flops for three months and laugh at work colleagues who forgot the sun cream and impersonate tomatoes for the duration.

It was always going to be a bit glum, too, given the weather forecast. Warm and wet is not a heart-warmer. And so it has proved. If the summer keeps plodding along as it has so

far, then no doubt floods will be sweeping in come September.

So we all need a bit of cheering up. But how?

Well, there's some good news for those who can still afford to run a car and commute to work on our roads. Because as of this week, the school holidays kick in which means everyone will spend the next few weeks getting to work 15 minutes earlier on account of the lack of traffic.

And if you get to work early you can cram in some quality creeping to the boss, which will enhance your job prospects and ensure that when you get turned down for a pay rise due to the economy, they'll at least break the news to you nicely, rather than a cursory email telling you "don't even think about it".

So if you do suffer from SAD, at least you'll only be swapping the gloom of summer for the gloom of winter, so you might not notice the difference. Something to smile about, surely?

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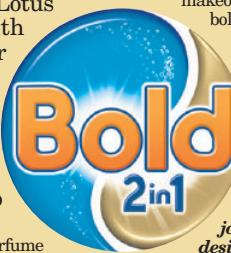
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It is hoped that this temporary extension will give patients the opportunity to have an X-Ray at a more convenient time. After the 12 week trial period the number of people using the extended services will be assessed to see if the extended hours should be made permanent.

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# yourletters

## TALK TIME

### DIANA WIMBLE

Diana is the manager of the Lathe Barn in Burmarsh on Romney Marsh, which contains a children's farm and tea room



#### What animals do you have at Lathe Barn?

Rabbits, goats, guinea pigs, chickens, geese, an eagle owl and barn owls. We have a play area, go-karts and mini golf. We are open between noon and 5pm on weekdays, noon and 6pm at weekends, and closed on Mondays.

#### Why did you decide to open a children's farm?

The location was originally a farm, so it complements the area. The barn was converted into the tea room and part of the farm was converted into the children's farm. The remaining fields are full of sheep, so we are still a working farm.

#### Are children still interested in the animals?

Children are mainly interested in the play area, but hopefully they can take an interest in both. The farm can be educational as well as fun. We would love to do more but are restricted because of health and safety.

#### How did you get involved with Lathe Barn?

I knew the past owners and started to work here 13 years ago. They retired eight years ago and my husband and I took over. They are only semi-retired, though, and are still involved. My husband and I came from farming families, so when the opportunity came we took the chance to diversify.

We are not planning to expand any more. We will be focusing on maintaining the high standards we have now. We want to remain hands-on and not have to delegate.

It is very homely, very traditional, with good home cooking, friendly staff and lovely surroundings. One visitor described it as "a little bit of heaven on Romney Marsh".

## YOUR LETTERS

### Frightening lack of common sense

Whatever happened to compassion, initiative and, most of all, common sense?

A 12-year-old grammar school girl was arrested in Folkestone by a security "officer" – I would prefer to call him or her something unprintable – simply for painting a fingernail.

Yes, it was a silly thing to do as it wasn't a tester, but this youngster was put through a totally unnecessary, traumatic and horrendous experience.

As a retired police officer, I condemn in the strongest terms the actions of that over-zealous guard, Boots management and Kent Police.

Three officers attended this pathetic incident. Were they told an armed robbery was in progress?

You would think so. To call this an over-reaction to the most minor incident is the understatement of the year.

All parties involved have much more important tasks to deal with and please, Chief Constable Michael Fuller, don't say: "We have a duty to..."

In my view, as one with decades of experience, when the police were respected (with good cause) and common sense prevailed, this girl is entitled to apologies from all involved, reimbursement of the money her parents were advised to pay – or else – and some gesture of goodwill, including from the police, who ought to have refused to attend in the first place.

All parties know what they should do to hopefully prevent similar future stupidity – and that excludes this young lady.

Let us hope they learn from it.

David Kang  
Deal

### Surgery petition to get buses restored

Following the move of Balmoral surgery to Canada Road in Deal, I have received complaints that buses no longer service the surgery as they did when it was at the bottom of South Street.

I have spoken to Stagecoach, who were extremely unhelpful about this matter.

After consultations with the doctors' surgery, they have agreed to collect signatures on a petition asking Stagecoach to re-route buses to the surgery car park. When you next go to the surgery, please sign this petition.

Bill Gardner  
Mayor of Deal

### No need to worry about Saltwood

It is a shame that there is a problem with Saltwood Castle, the home of the late MP Alan Clark, but surely this is not a problem for English Heritage.

This body is responsible for maintaining buildings which are open to the public.

This is not the case with the castle, which is in private ownership.

So, unless it is prepared to help with maintenance costs, I really cannot see that it is any of English Heritage's business.

Richard Harrison  
Hythe

### Relative buried so far from home

James Richard Lavender Kitcher was born at Boughton Aluph in September 1903 and died in Malta in 1974. He is buried in Ta' Braxia cemetery, Pieta.

For some reason the grave has no headstone and I am curious to

know why he was buried in Malta and not brought home. He was the son of Edith Annie (Hill) and James Kitcher, a gamekeeper living at Boughton Aluph when he married Edith Annie at Chilworth, Hampshire, in 1902.

James Richard Lavender Kitcher married Barbara Myra Buch, but I cannot find any reference to it.

If you are a descendant of Edith Annie and James Kitcher, or a relative – however distant – of James Richard Lavender Kitcher or Barbara Myra Buch, I would appreciate it if you would contact me by email at jaykitcher@hotmail.com.

Jay Kitcher  
by email

### Steely look to Kent cricket nowadays

As a cricket fan, I was following Kent's progress in the latter part of their second innings against Yorkshire when chasing a small total – they seemed likely to bat it and lose.

That would have been so typical of the team in the past that I did not really expect anything else.

Yet they steeled themselves and managed to get the runs and win with a little bit to spare.

This got me thinking – is there a new backbone to the team? If so, with all the important matches to come, it really could not have come at a better time in the hunt for trophies.

Steven Hillier  
by email

### Admirably cheeky

Good luck to the naturist couple who won the cash on the lottery last week. They are obviously on a lucky streak.

Miles Brown  
Folkestone

### Rock this town

Making rock in Folkestone to commemorate the town is so important.

Sticks of rock have been associated with seaside towns ever since holidays were invented. A Folkestone design, perhaps with the white horse, would be a good addition to the town's image.

Penny Draper  
Folkestone

### Many for the Few

I must commend the turn-out for the Battle of Britain Memorial Day at Capel-le-Ferne. Despite the bad weather everyone was in very good spirits and the music was excellent. It was truly a day and a turn-out to be proud of.

Mike Standell  
by email

### Just the ticket

As someone who attended the County Show, can I point out how little public transport was laid on? The congestion could have been avoided if there had been shuttle buses running from the towns.

Julie Hope  
Hythe

### Rolling into port

I never thought the sight of Dover would bring a lump to my throat, but I was truly glad to see the harbour, the castle and the white cliffs after a particularly rough Channel crossing.

Kent had never looked so inviting as it did from the deck of a ferry which seemed likely to roll over at any moment.

Sometimes I think that many of us forget quite how lucky we are to live on the Channel coast. It's not a mistake I'll repeat.

Michael Jacob  
by email

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# Family tough it to the top



HOT ACT: The Cherryholmes and Elizabeth Cook (inset) perform bluegrass and country at the Zebra Bar

FROM dodging bullets to scoring hits, the Cherryholmes family have truly triumphed over adversity.

This unlikely-looking group are one of the hottest acts on the American bluegrass scene, blowing audiences away with their talent.

Their first album to be released on a record label reached number three in the Billboard bluegrass chart and earned them a Grammy nomination, but just nine years ago half their members had never even picked up an instrument.

It was a terrible tragedy which prompted parents Jere and Sandy Lee to bring music into the family's lives.

In 1999 their oldest daughter Shelly died from chronic heart problems, aged just 20.

It was a dreadful time, not helped by the fact that the family were living in a tough Los Angeles neighbourhood.

The children frequently had to do their homework while crouched between their beds because of the threat of drive-by shootings, so a trip to a bluegrass festival provided the chance briefly to escape their

problems and their grief. It was their first exposure to a genre which seemed completely alien, given their background, but the experience inspired Jere and Sandy to incorporate music in their children's home schooling.

It became core part of their studies, which then developed into hours of playing together every night.

The children were aged between six and 15 at the time, but less than six months later the family were performing professionally.

Eldest daughter Cia Leigh began learning the guitar at the age of 15 but switched to the banjo, which she plays with outstanding power, and she is also a gifted singer.

Her brother BJ picked up a fiddle for the first time at 11 and is compared to some of the finest fiddlers in the business.

Skip is an excellent guitar picker with an aggressive rhythm style and left-handed Molly Kate plays fiddle, sings and writes songs to an astonishing level. Jere plays upright bass and sings, while Sandy Lee's mandolin, banjo and yodelling are real crowd pleasers.

The family spend about 300 days a

year on the road, bunking in the bus and sharing passenger duty as Jere drives through the night.

They self-released three albums before being signed to Skaggs Family Records and have toured internationally, as well as being regulars at the historic Grand Ole Opry in Nashville.

They will be stopping off in Maidstone on their way to headline the Cambridge Folk Festival.

Cherryholmes will be joined on the bill by Elizabeth Cook, who is described as "a bona fide country singer". A true traditional singer in the style of Loretta Lynn or Connie Smith, she appeared at the Grand Ole Opry more than 100 times before releasing her acclaimed debut album, Hey Y'All.

She is a talented singer, having co-written nine of the 11 tracks on her latest album Balls – including the brash anthem Sometimes It Takes Balls To Be A Woman.

The gig starts at 8pm and tickets cost £14 in advance or £16 on the door. To book, phone 01622 744481.

## THE CHERRYHOLMES

Monday, July 28  
Zebra Bar, Maidstone



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### FACE YOUR FEARS

Sunday, July 27  
Port Lympne Wild Animal Park

FACE your fears and meet some of the most chilling creepy crawlies at Port Lympne this weekend.

The mansion will welcome an array of special guests including snakes, spiders, lizards and even scorpions – all waiting to meet the park's visitors. Children and adults alike are invited to handle these fascinating creatures and learn more about them, in the hope of banishing phobias and quashing fears.

Test your bravery by allowing a python or boa constrictor wrap itself around your neck, or demonstrate your steely nature by letting a tarantula walk across your hand. The event is certainly not for the faint-hearted, but there will be experts on hand to answer questions and help visitors to overcome their worries.

At previous Face Your Fears sessions, visitors have had the opportunity to meet 15ft python Monty, a 2ft Ackie Monitor and some rare scorpions.

The exciting event will be held in the mansion's Long Room and is free to anyone who has bought a ticket for the park that day. Another session will be held on Sunday August 17.

### TENTERMENT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Sunday, July 27  
Recreation Ground, Tenterden

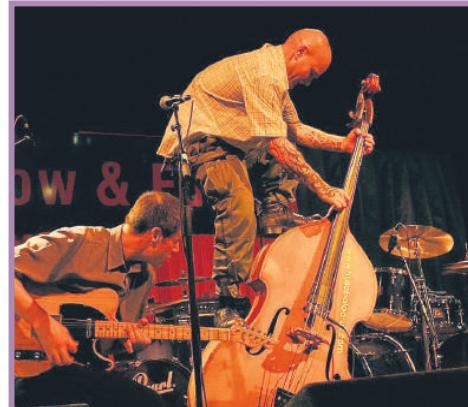
GET ready to move your dancing feet as Hullabaloo headlines the very first Tentertainment Music Festival.

The renowned jazz quartet will bring their infectious brand of jive, swing and rockabilly to the free open air event. With their brilliant talent and great sense of fun, they have played alongside a diverse mix of high-profile performers such as Jools Holland, the Pogues and Jose Carreras.

The quartet has travelled to Paris, Dubai and Sun City and even played at the wedding of Jamie and Jools Oliver.

Supporting acts include indie band D-INITIve, described as Tenterden's answer to Keane and Stereophonics, who have supported the Sugababes at KOKO in Camden.

Kent-born singer-songwriter Isaac Howlett has joined forces with Paul Weller's bassist Dave Foster and drummer Jon Brooker who



has worked with Coldplay, to form the acclaimed Isaac Howlett Band which will also be appearing.

Add punk rock band Quarter Bag and acoustic four-piece Sikhona to the mix and you have a great day's entertainment.

There will also be entertainers, members of the Kent Circus School, local food, a beer tent and a cocktail tent.

The event will run from noon to 8pm.

### BIG SKY JAZZ FESTIVAL

Friday to Saturday, July 25-August 2  
Various venues



SOME of the best British jazz musicians will be heading for Margate this week for the Big Sky Jazz Festival.

As one of the hottest events in the jazz calendar, the festival is in its fourth year and has attracted some big names.

Fans will be able to see some great performers at various venues, demonstrating the superb vocal skills and musicianship which have made them some of the most respected artists in the business.

It will be kicking off in style on Friday with Celebration of Voice at the Winter Gardens, featuring the outstanding talents of Barb Jungr, Christine Tobin, Anita Wardell, Ian Shaw, the Phil Robson Quartet and pianist Jenny Carr.

Other acts include acclaimed tenor saxophonist Don Weller, the versatile Annie Whitehead, singer-songwriter Sarah Gillespie, the Carol Grimes Band, Gilad Atzmon's Orient House Ensemble, Stan Sulzmann and the John Parricelli Quartet, The Grand Union Band and The Liam Noble Trio.

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### Shorts wanted from young film-makers

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For a form and more details call 01843 852934 or visit [www.medbfilm.com](http://www.medbfilm.com).

### Domestic sanctuaries will be open to view

DISCOVER the gardens of Saltwood when residents invite the public to enjoy their private sanctuaries on Sunday.

Twelve domestic gardens in the village near Hythe will be opened as part of the Saltwood Gardens Safari, which will run from 1pm to 5pm. Entry to the gardens is by programme, which is priced at £3 and include a map of garden locations. These can be purchased at the Village Green or any open garden on the day, or in advance from Champion & Co estate agents in The Green, Saltwood.

Go to [www.saltwoodkent.co.uk](http://www.saltwoodkent.co.uk).

### Sultans of rock will be jamming at the Ocean

ENJOY a mix of old, new and original rock songs when Sultan performs live this weekend.

The four-piece rock band will be appearing at the Ocean Inn in High Street, Dymchurch, on Saturday (July 26). For more details about the gig or venue call the pub on 01303 872152.

Find out more about Sultan, meet the members and hear samples of their music at [www.geocities.com/sultantan](http://www.geocities.com/sultantan).

### Be original on Friday - listen to four-piece

POPULAR local band Tortilla Army will be playing in Shepway on Friday.

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Only the finest, fresh ingredients are used in the training kitchen, sourced locally wherever possible and there are even plans to develop a kitchen garden within the Academy grounds to provide quality seasonal produce for the restaurant.

The Academy really is a model of excellence and exceptional training in the field of Hospitality and Catering.

Since commencing their professional training at the Academy in September 2007 many of the students on the Catering course have achieved outstanding accolades in national, professional competitions, supported all the way by their team of dedicated tutors.

"I'm learning how to create top class food and definitely want to become a professional chef when I qualify. When I leave here I will go straight into work in the industry, hopefully in a top London restaurant. My plan is to get a few years experience under my belt and then bring those skills back home to Kent and open my own top notch restaurant." *(NVQ student)*

The Folkestone Academy still has places on its NVQ Level 1 and 2 Hospitality and Catering courses, amongst others for September 2008 entry. Further details of all sixth form courses are available on the website: [www.folkestoneacademy.com](http://www.folkestoneacademy.com).

# yourmusic

# Magnificent seven are ready to rock all day

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

FROM ska to screamo, the eclectic line-up of this year's Don8tion all-dayer brings together seven of the best bands Kent has to offer.

The popular charity event, now in its fourth year, is held each summer at the Wyvern Hall in Sittingbourne, a 500-capacity venue with the space for bands and fans to really let rip.

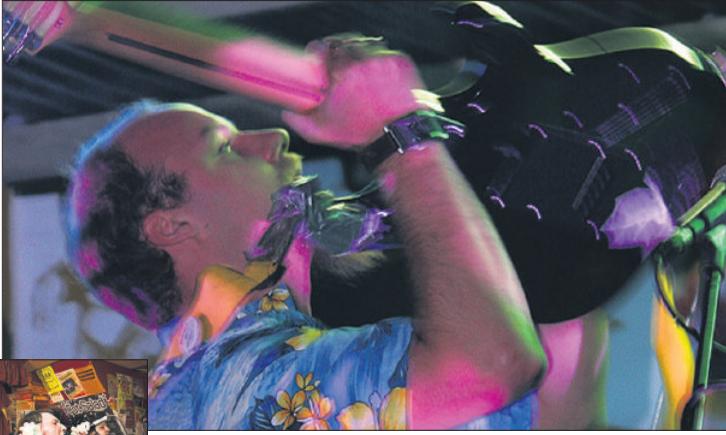
This year's concert – organised to raise money for Demelza children's hospice – is headed by Folkestone's superlative ska/punk outfit, Battleska Galactica.

The eight-piece are fresh from a successful slot at the ill-fated Zoo8 festival, packing the marquee when they performed on the Friday.

They already have several critically acclaimed releases, including 2005's Songs from the Crypt, and a new album, If Found Please Return To ... will be on sale later this year.

Preceding Battleska are Medway rockers Saturday Superhouse, who wowed the audience at last year's Doma8ion with their highly polished set. Energetic punk band Los Salvadores will also be bringing their impressive sound to the stage, as well as Sheppey screamo band The Rodeo Plan, and Maidstone indie kids Directions.

Opening the night are No Room For Growth, a young and talented Sittingbourne ska band. They will be followed by Sheppey hard rock



**INTO BATTLE:** Guitarist Stewart Cork performing with Battleska Galactica. Also on the Don8tion bill are Los Salvadores (left) and five other leading bands from the county.

outfit Wires Faulty. Don8tion is organised by Los Salvadores guitarist Marf Whiskin, and promoter Jade Wilson. Both say this year will be the best yet. Marf said: "The

line-up is the best we've ever had. Every band on there was picked because they put on a great show and have worked hard to build a following.

"And everyone – including Vic Wintergreen from DefZone who is doing the sound – has agreed to do it for free, so we can give more money than ever to Demelza."

Jade said: "This is going to be an amazing gig. It's such a strong line-up."

Last year's concert raised nearly £500 for Demelza. Don8tion will be at the Wyvern Hall, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, on Friday, August 8. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £4 and are available from any of the bands or on the door. You can donate online at [www.justgiving.co.uk/don8tion](http://www.justgiving.co.uk/don8tion).

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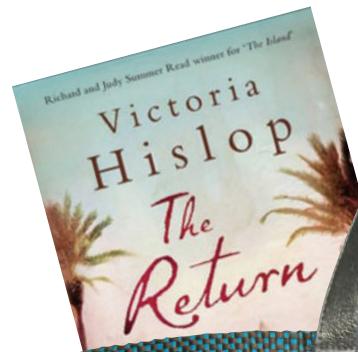
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### Snap up a sale bargain as Argos slashes prices

THOUSANDS of prices have been slashed as part of Argos' fabulous end of summer sale.

Shoppers looking for great deals on electrical items, garden furniture and home appliances are invited in to stores to pick up a bargain.

A Madrid table and four chairs is half price at £199.95, a stainless steel bin £34.99, Remington straighteners £21.99 and a Vax rapid carpet cleaner also at half price at £59.99. Offer ends July 25.

### Sharleen's Melody now sounds like a bargain

THE new album by Sharleen Spiteri is on special offer at HMV stores, along with many other top names.

DVDs have also been reduced in a bid to attract summer shoppers.

Sharleen's CD Melody is priced £8.99 – down from the recommended retail price of £16.99. The HMV store in Folkestone's Bouverie Place is open seven days a week.

### Sexy, funky underwear is ready for you, ladies

LA SENZA'S new collection has just arrived with funky, sexy underwear for women.

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Online deals include sophisticated chemises for £15, reduced from £20.

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### Bend it like Beckham, or Freddie, or Tiger

A NINTENDO Wii console and a top class Wii sports pack are available from WH Smith at £179.99.

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## YOUR TV REVIEW

**BONEKICKERS**  
BBC One, 9pm, Tuesday  
**CHINESE FOOD MADE EASY**  
BBC Two, 8.30pm, Monday

■ BY TOM BETTS

I'M not sure the world is ready for high definition television, especially with the drivel that is on 85 per cent of the time.

Although that's not an official figure, may I add.

When the technology has moved on so much that what's on your screen is almost a better than reality (I swear real life doesn't look this sharp!) I somehow expected the quality of what appears on the magic box to move ever upward too.

But still, while the crystal-clear images flood into our rooms we still have to endure the likes of Snog, Marry, Avoid? and Titty Titty Bang Bang.

Take Bonekickers, the BBC's latest effort at intrigue and mystery.

It looked like a belter on the trailers, but is so bad it actually makes me want to go out and do some of those hobby things that people keep yammering on about.

Here is a show seemingly cobbled together behind the bike sheds by a bunch of sixth formers during school break.

The producers were clearly aiming at a cross between Spooks and CSI with a wee hint of Indiana Jones thrown in for good measure, yet it comes across more like Time Team meets The Bill.

It's in the middle of a six episode run and I'll bet my remote control there won't be a second.

Around 6.8 million of you joined me for the first episode, so at least I can find some solace in the fact that I'm not alone in my suffering, but a huge



**TASTY:** Ching-He Huang is cooking up quite a stir on BBC Two with Chinese Food Made Easy

share of that number had jumped ship by episode two.

If this is the best we have to look forward to this summer then could be time to say "balls to the credit crunch, I'm off on holiday!"

There is a new woman in my life, who I would dearly love to accompany me on what I have christened the 2008 Bonekicker Avoidance Tour.

The name of the object of my affection is Ching-He Huang, beautiful, intelligent and able to whip up a mean egg foo yong.

Wok more could a man want?

I had promised myself I'd not waste any more time watching cookery shows (a strange addiction I have), especially as none of it ever translates to my own kitchen, but one look at Ching-He and that promise bit the dust faster than you could say year of the loser.

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



### AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)

DOING a job all by yourself isn't realistic. Call on the help of your colleagues. Acting like you don't need anyone else will alienate you from the group. It's important to consider the needs of a business or romantic partner. Letting this person wait on you will be a welcome change of pace.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762

### TAURUS (Apr 21-May 20)

DON'T convince you know more about a subject than you really do. It's better to hire a professional than attempt a complicated job yourself. A good friend could take you on a short trip. The two of you are opposites in many ways, which makes for good travelling companions.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Taurus** 09067-531753

### LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)

Daydreaming could undermine your job performance. It's important to check your work before submitting it or you could miss some embarrassing mistakes. Your star power will be especially strong, making this a great time to go on job interviews, auditions and first dates.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Leo** 09067-531756

### SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

FOLLOWING the rules is overrated. Allow yourself a measure of freedom when tackling a big project. You could develop some exciting techniques by just playing around. You're about to assume a more public profile at work. People respond to your warmth and generosity.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Scorpio** 09067-531769

### PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)

FORCING a friend to live up to an old promise will only torment them. Relax your standards and leave your pal free to have a good time. You may have to do more than your fair share of work, but it will be strangely gratifying. It feels good to have an outlet for your restless energy.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Pisces** 09067-531763

### GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22)

YOU may think you've got more money than you actually have. Review your budget carefully before buying something extravagant. Urgent messages could come pouring in this week. Check your mobile regularly or you could miss an important call. A job will involve unusual duties.

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### VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)

YOU may not realise what a friend really needs to thrive. If this person is intent on taking a risk, don't stand in their way. If you're not in a relationship, you could meet someone special at a party or social occasion. Keep your eyes open for an offbeat philanthropist.

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### SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 22)

PUTTING too much emphasis on material things is getting in the way of a close relationship. You can't put a price on love. Encourage somebody to take a chance. You're too adventurous to cling to security for very long. A strange living arrangement works well for you.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Sagittarius** 09067-531760

### ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 19)

BE realistic about balancing home and work. You simply don't have enough time to do justice to both. Although lots of exciting opportunities exist on the career front, your nearest and dearest need care and attention. Unless you make time for fun, it will pass you right by.

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### CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

PREOCCUPATION with your own needs could make you oblivious to those of other. Take care you don't forget an important date. Money will be more readily available than it has in the past few weeks. Someone could ask you to step in for an instructor who had to leave quite suddenly.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Cancer** 09067-531755

### LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)

TRYING to give orders to relatives will be as successful as herding a crowd of cats. It simply can't be done. Let everybody do their own thing for a change. It will save you lots of aggravation. Besides, you have better things to do with your time. You can't afford to let them down.

To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Libra** 09067-531758

### CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)

DON'T overanalyse a relationship. There are some gifts in life you just need to accept with open arms and a thankful heart. Your sex appeal is red hot. You could meet someone special. You're especially drawn to quiet, nurturing types, but you may have to do all the running.

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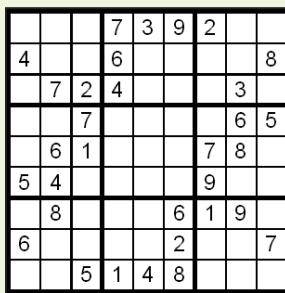
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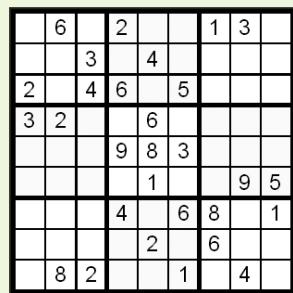
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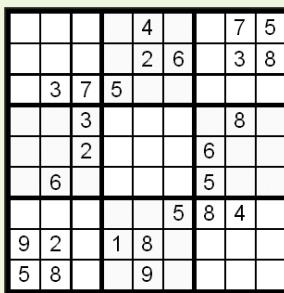
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ACROSS

1 What is carried in here may be documented (7-4)

9 A maxim that is unprincipled (6)

10 Spoil important-sounding tent (7)

12 Highfliers chewing raw rice (7)

14 Vainest sort who's most ingenuous (7)

15 Haggard mineowner (4,7)

16 For each of the shoppers included (3)

17 Born to one expecting inside (3)

19 Pointer on hand (5-6)

22 Yellow jeans I'm splashing (7)

23 Different layers on Sunday are not shining (7)

24 Young child is untruthful about deliberate

understatement (7)

25 Rude fraction? (6)

26 Scholarly Scotsman found in RA (11)

DOWN

2 Small monkey had hat dodging rain (7)

3 Luminous atmospheric phenomena transforming our area (7)

4 Man hard on a novice (3)

5 Next crime could include me and machine with revolving drum (6)

6 Barns ie custom-built for one from Southern Europe (7)

7 Put up about one French female and start to perform in the band (4,2)

8 Character with journalists printed reading matter (11)

11 Two well-directed in rhyme (4,3,4)

13 We will be adorned wearing stylish clothes (4-7)

18 Hesitates at last character being substitute (6)

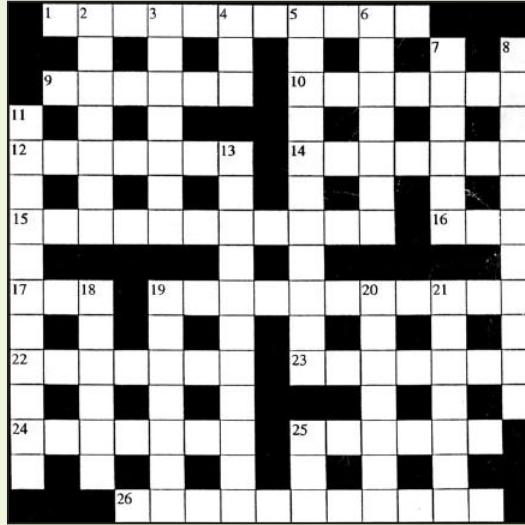
19 I had ten before end of August in charge, that's stupid (7)

20 Poem 99 is heavenly (7)

21 Most of bomb found on a West Indian island (7)

25 Six thousand having vigour (3)

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1 Quarantined (2,9)

9 Sea-cow (6)

10 Japanese ornament (7)

12 Spectrum (7)

14 Imprecise (7)

15 Furry animal (7,4)

16 Longing (3)

17 Auto (3)

19 Stun (11)

22 Specialised in a particular subject (7)

23 To which (7)

24 Mislead (7)

25 Pincers (6)

26 Dimension (11)

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2 Cephalopod molluscs (7)

3 Entertainment industry (7)

4 Limb (3)

5 Painful inflammation in arm (6,5)

6 Exhaust (7)

7 Nauseous (6)

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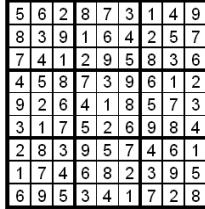
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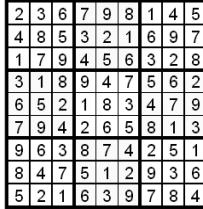
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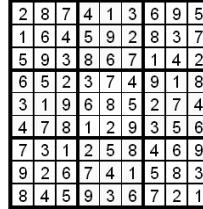
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WALL-E (U)



The creators of Toy Story return with a heartfelt and fun-packed comedy about a little robot who holds the key to saving planet Earth. Wall-E (Waste Allocation Load Lifter Earth-Class) discovers a new purpose in life when he meets a sleek search robot named Eve. Eve comes to realise that Wall-E has stumbled on the key to the planet's future, and races back to space to report her findings to the humans with Wall-E in hot pursuit.

MEET DAVE (PG)



Dave Ming Chang (Eddie Murphy), newly arrived in New York City, may be the ultimate fish out of water. There's something about him that's not quite right – for starters, he seems remarkably out of place and uncomfortable in his own body. And for good reason: 'Dave' is not a man at all, but a ship made in the image of its miniature-sized captain.

DONKEY PUNCH (18)



When three girls decide to go on holiday to Spain, they expect the usual holiday of sun, sand and lots of nights out on the town. But when three guys tell them they have a boat and the girls are welcome to go out for a day, things take a terrifying turn for the worse when one of the girls dies and it becomes a fight for survival.

# No more action man

■ BY ELLIE GENOWER

WHEN Jackie Chan first heard about the fantastical concept of his new movie *The Forbidden Kingdom*, he certainly had his doubts.

"I would never make this kind of film," he says, smiling. "For me, these kinds of films are ridiculous. It doesn't make sense. But the American audience, I think, is interested. So every time I make an American film, I trust the American writer and the American director."

The film sees New York young kung fu fan Jason Triptikas (Michael Angarano) magically thrust into ancient China where he befriends wise kung fu master Lu Yan (Jackie Chan) and a warrior played by Jet Li. They team up to free the Monkey King, who has been imprisoned by the powerful Jade War Lord.

Jackie, who shot much of the movie on location in China, says: "This is just like a fantasy – a fairytale, but I made this movie because I know American culture and American people like it."

Despite Chan's initial reservations, he couldn't resist the chance to work with another famous Chinese movie fighter – Jet Li – either.

After years of trying to team up on film, Chan had almost given up on the idea of working with him by the time *Forbidden Kingdom* came along.

"I have always hoped to make movies with some people I really admire, like Dustin Hoffman and Robert De Niro, before I retire from this business," he says.

"Jet Li is someone whom I have wanted to work for more than ten years. Every time I see Jet we say, 'Let's do it!' This time it happened



GETTING HARDER: Jackie Chan says he wants to be a serious actor before he retires

because Casey [Silver] the producer was in the middle. Every ten days he would call and tell me Jet Li was happy with the script, before sending it to me. He was the one flying back and forth making the whole thing happen."

But far from being a battle of the egos between two movie martial arts legends, Chan says coordinating fight scenes

with Li felt comfortable.

"After the first cut, the director comes up and says 'Can you guys slow down?'" Chan says with a laugh.

"I want to show off quick and he wants to show off quick, but then we slowed down. It was fun. Fighting with him is very comfortable. I've fought so many different actors who just don't know

how to fight. It makes you hurt and it doesn't look good. And I think because I'm good, it makes him comfortable!"

However, Li is, at 45, almost ten years younger than Chan at 54. As the energetic and animated star grows older, it inevitably becomes harder to perform the big kung-fu stunts, he did so effortlessly on film at a younger age.

Hence one of the reasons Chan is trying to make the transition from kung fu movie star to serious actor.

"I think for the last six or five years, I've changed my style," he says, earnestly. "Right after the *Forbidden Kingdom*, I finished a movie called *The Shinjuku Incident*. It's maybe one per cent action. Heavy drama. The next one will be big action, then maybe a love story."

"I want to change. I want to be a real actor and not just an action star. An action star's film life is very short. Jackie Chan is a myth and I'm in survival right now."

"It's been more than 30 years, but how much longer can I keep fighting? This is why I have to change, change, change. I'm not like I used to be – I'm tired."

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## Sea how Nausicaa's got even better

BY DAVID NICHOLAS

A MAJOR new development has opened up in the sealife centre Nausicaa, which is one of Boulogne's most popular tourist attractions.

As well as its collection of tropical fish, recreations of exotic nautical environments, sharks, seafions and penguins, the venue also has a new exhibition on the seas called The Sea - Live which has links to oceans across the world in real time as well as details of the environment and the people who live there.

My family and I went into the large auditorium for a glimpse of how tropical seas with their abundance of plant and marine life look and the problems they are facing.

Now open and in place for the next two years the focus is on Madagascar and the Mozambique Channel.

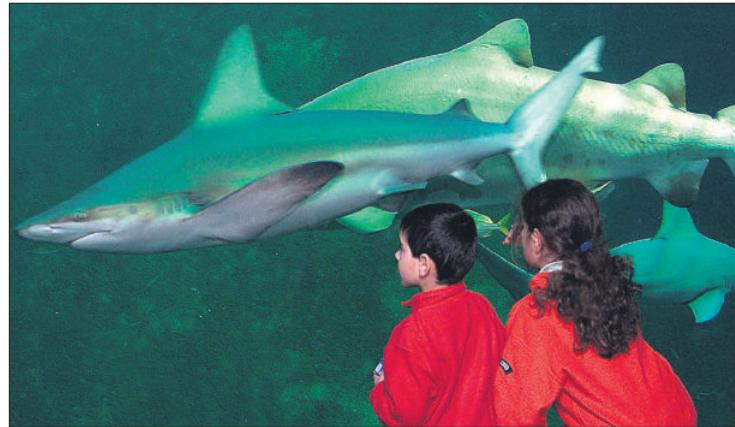
Audios and visuals give an account of the history and formation of the land and seascape.

The channel itself was formed 160 million years ago when a piece of land broke from the eastern side of Africa and formed the world's fourth largest island.

Located in the Indian Ocean, it has species quite distinct from elsewhere in the world.

The display also featured interviews with experts on the evolution of this unusual area, as well as the importance of it to the creatures which live in the sea.

Daily programmes can be modified to reflect conditions which exist in the area, bringing the imagery from this wonderful place completely



OCEAN WORLD: Sharks are among the creatures on view at Nausicaa in Boulogne – an easy, and superb, day trip

up to date. We learnt that the ecosystem in the area is particularly fragile, and the display emphasises the intriguing story of the coelacanth, thought to have been extinct since prehistoric times, but rediscovered in the last century.

An interview with a fisheries expert also explained how it is most effective to maintain the supplies and thus benefit the natural environment, as well as the fishermen and the people who live in the area.

Later, we took a simulated trip up a river estuary, and details of the land itself and its

rainforest were revealed.

Telescopes fixed to stakes in the sand enable pictures of fishing on the seabed to be transmitted and even locals' huts are included.

My family and I have always found Nausicaa a fantastic destination in its own right, but the fact that it's in France just adds to the feel that you really are on holiday – even when it's just a day trip.

Add in a classy on-site restaurant with glorious sea views, and you might just be on to one of the experiences of the year.

### FACT FILE: FRANCE

Time difference	UK+1hr
Capital	Paris
Language	French
Population	664 million
Currency	Euro (1.2 to £1 approx)

Located directly opposite the Port of Boulogne along Boulevard Sainte Beuve, Nausicaa is open daily from September 1 to June 30 from 9.30am to 6.30pm and from July 1 to August 31 from 9.30am to 7.30pm.

Entry prices are 16.50 euros and 10.80 euros for adults and children respectively.

SpeedFerries operates up to five return sailings daily between Dover and Boulogne, with a crossing time of 50 minutes. One-way fares for a car and up to five passengers start from £27. Day returns from £25 for car and passengers.

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Mortgage deals better with Abbey

A NEW revised fixed rate mortgage deal has been launched by the Abbey.

Those looking to take out mortgages are able to obtain two and three year fixed rates at up to 0.15 per cent less than previously offered.

Abbey's move is the latest in a series of recent changes by leaders in the market as a response to a fall in inter-bank lending costs.

Another company to cut back on rates recently was Woolwich which decreased fixed rates in some cases by up to 0.3 per cent.

Such developments within the property industry have been viewed as a sign that the cost of mortgages is on a small down turn despite the lack of movement in interest rates.

These have been held by the Bank of England in recent moves to stabilise the property market.

Recently forecasters working for the Royal Bank of Scotland predicted that the base rate will remain at five per cent for the rest of this year, with the possibility of movement in the first quarter of next year.

### Agents confident of market turnaround

THE majority of estate agents across the UK are optimistic that house prices will be rising and the market buoyant a year from now.

A survey of the industry conducted by Abbey said that 61 per cent of respondents were confident the downturn would be over in the next 12 months.

And half of those contacted said they expected the time span to be just half that.

Abbey's head of mortgages Phil Cliff said: "Estate agents and homeowners believe that despite current movements in house prices we are unlikely to experience a really prolonged fall."

Predictions such as these help to stabilise a volatile market and increase confidence for both investors and sellers.

They are helped by banks lowering mortgage rates – which has taken place in some sectors of the business in the past few weeks.

In the latest figures available in the market June saw a two per cent fall in house prices – a decrease of the 2.5 per cent recorded for May.



CLEANING UP: The devastation caused by flooding to thousands of properties in recent years could get worse with predictions of more extreme weather conditions

## Flood defence agreed

Insurance and long-term strategies will help protect owners

THE insurance industry and the Government have reached an agreement to ensure householders are able to obtain protection against flooding.

Both bodies have vowed to team up in a bid to protect properties at risk in a complementary way.

In recent years the county has seen serious flooding, particularly along the course of the River Medway.

Fears over global warming have also added to improved sea defences along Romney Marsh.

Other low-lying areas, such as Swale and other areas along the Thames Estuary, as well as Thanet, have also been cited as being at risk from waters.

According to insurers they will assess some

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properties at risk and the Government has promised to do more to protect housing from destructive waters.

Under the new agreement, insurers will guarantee to provide protection to any property deemed to have a risk of less than one in 75 from flood.

In return, the Government has committed itself to a long-term 25-year strategy to improve flood defences across the UK.

Environment Minister Phil Woolas said: "The insurance companies very reasonably said that it is necessary to have a long-term strategy – 25 years is the figure that we are going ahead with. We are looking at coastal flooding as well as river flooding and surface water flooding to ensure that the increased

investment that we have – and we have increased investment in flood defences quite substantially in this country – is sustained in the long term."

Mr Woolas said the Environment Agency should make use of new powers to block proposed developments at risk of flood and explained insurers were ready to offer improved premiums to householders who protect their homes against the risks.

He added: "What has changed is the climate change predictions the scientists are giving us; that the extreme weather conditions are going to increase in the decades to come. That requires a long-term strategy."

"It is something we have been negotiating with the insurance industry in some detail. They, quite understandably, want to have assurances that homes are protected and we, quite understandably, want to do that in any event."

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**OIEO £129,950**

Three bedroom terrace house with double glazing, gas central heating and garden.



**£145,000**

3 Bedroom Semi Detached House. Lounge/Diner, Kitchen and Downstairs WC, Bathroom. Double glazing, central heating, garage and rear gardens.



**OIRO £159,950**

Three bedroom terrace cottage situated opposite Kearsney Abbey with two reception rooms, double glazing, gas central heating and garden.



**£159,950**

Tucked away in a cul de sac location in Crabble, this semi detached house with garage and gardens is offered for sale with no chain.



**£164,950**

3 bedroom end of terrace house with double glazing, gas central heating gardens and garage. No chain.



**£199,995**

3 Bedroom Terraced House. Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, Downstairs WC, Family Bathroom, Garden, Off Road Parking and Garage.



**£229,950**

This home boasts lounge, dining room, kitchen and utility to the ground floor with three bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor.



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**£135,000**

This split level second floor flat comprises: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC. Part double glazing and night storage heating.

**HAWKINGE**



**£142,000**

A modern style mid terrace house comprising: entrance hall, fitted kitchen, lounge, cloakroom, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC.

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**OIEO £150,000**

A well presented mid terrace house comprising: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, shower room/WC, separate WC and three bedrooms.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£209,995**

Viewing is recommended on this semi-detached house. The property benefits from gas central heating, double glazing, conservatory and gardens.

**CHERITON**



**£210,000**

This is an end of terrace house comprising: entrance hall, lounge/diner, two bedrooms, separate WC, fitted kitchen/utility area, three further bedrooms.

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**£223,250**

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**SANDGATE**



**£225,000**

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**£230,000**

Viewing is recommended for this semi-detached house. Extensive landscaped rear gardens. Garage. Block paved drive for two vehicles.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£285,000**

A ground floor apartment situated in a private road. Benefits include: Grade II listed Victorian greenhouse, well stocked private garden.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£299,950**

A detached house comprising: entrance hall, cloakroom, fitted kitchen, lounge, dining room, four/five bedrooms and bathroom/WC.

**CAPEL-LE-FERNE**



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- 3 bedroom terraced home
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- No forward chain



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**FOLKESTONE**

**£225,000**

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- Off street parking
- Kitchen/Diner



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**HFP02633**

- 3 bedroom terraced home
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Double glazing, central heating



**FOLKESTONE £159,995**

**FOLKESTONE OFFICE**

**HFP02414**

- Large family home
- Four bedrooms
- Good location



**FOLKESTONE £169,995**

**FOLKESTONE OFFICE**

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- Westend ground floor apartment
- Three bedrooms, two wc's
- Close to town and seafront



**DOVER £95,000**

**DOVER OFFICE**

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- Two Bedrooms
- NO CHAIN
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- Two bed bungalow
- Rarely available
- No chain



**FOLKESTONE £149,995**

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- 4 bedroom family home
- 2 receptions, modern kitchen
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- Hidden away
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## MOTORS NEWS



### Car show turned on by the power of electricity

DOORS open at the British International Motor Show in London today – the greenest show ever.

The event at the Excel centre runs until August 3 and includes 23 global debuts for new models.

But eco-friendly models like the all-electric zero-emission TH!NK city car (above) are also grabbing the limelight: the TH!NK offers a top speed of 65mph, range of 126 miles on a full charge, costs just £100 in electricity to cover 10,000 miles, needs no road tax and is 95 per cent recyclable.



### Beamer is going more eco-friendly than ever

BMW's newly-revised 3-Series saloon, coupé, estate and convertible range is not only one of Britain's best-sellers in its class, but also one of the most eco.

Though you will be lucky to spot the makeover cosmetics, the line-up now boasts a greener engine range as well as 'EfficientDynamics' technology introduced previously to cut fuel waste and emissions.

Indeed, emissions are now so low on the economical 318d and top selling 320d diesel models that they almost qualify for the lowest £35/year road tax bracket.



### Mitsubishi launch 'mini miser' special edition

ALREADY one of the best superminis for space, durability and value, the Mitsubishi Colt has a new Attivo special edition specifically for motorists looking to downsize from a bigger car.

It comes with sporty alloys and metallic paint plus competitive finance, but a frugal (51.4 mpg combined mode) yet pokey 74bhp 1.1-litre engine that partially justifies its 'Attivo' tag – it means 'energetic' and 'lively' in Italian.

The Attivo is priced at £7,999 for the three-door and £8,499 for the five-door.



THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS: Volkswagen has hedged its bets by launching two Tiguan: an everyday model and the harder 'Escape' intended for genuine off-roading

# Slick Tiguan answering a need for greener 4x4s

OVERALL demand for 4x4s might be in the muck, but some are still squeaky clean.

The VW Tiguan is one that ticks most boxes for a modern-day SUV (sports utility vehicle): compact footprint, top-notch engines, excellent on-road ability and decent off-road powers too.

And VW hedged its bets by launching two Tiguan: an everyday model and the 'Escape' intended to allow owners to do just that.

It puts most other compact 'soft-rovers' in their place when the going gets tough, with a shorter front overhang – that improves the styling in my opinion – radiator and sump guards, plus a standard-fit 'off-road' mode that optimises hill descent control and other driver/mechanical aids.

But 'long nose' rather than Escape version claim 95 per cent of Tiguan sales and usually in 2.0-litre diesel mid-range SE trim (£21,770 for 138bhp version) as tested here, though high diesel fuel prices make a strong case for the so-called 'twin charger' Tiguan, featuring a lightweight 148bhp 1.4-litre petrol engine with supercharger and turbocharger, allowing decent economy plus diesel style pulling power

## ROAD TEST VW TIGUAN

■ BY STEVE LOADER

### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

and low emissions. It certainly makes the Tiguan feel nimble and knocks around £1,000 off prices for diesel equivalents.

Nevertheless, the 2.0-litre diesel is the consummate all-rounder: smooth, refined and powerful.

The Tiguan interior is typical VW, mixing robust quality, good ergonomics and stowage and fine seating. Space engineering is excellent so, despite being roughly the same size as key competitors, the car feels more spacious and has a decent boot plus lift-up tailgate and room for a spare wheel.

The car has a maximum five-star rating for occupant protection by Euro NCAP, plus four stars for child safety and two stars for pedestrian protection.

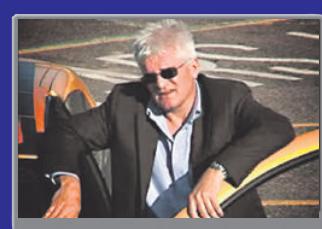
The Tiguan is also one of the best 'drives' in class. The ride is firmish, but the chassis ensures that a relatively high vehicle corners with a flat stance. With the low down pulling power of the test car's 2.0-litre diesel, the Tiguan can be pushed hard on a challenging road, aided by a precise six-speed gearbox allowing steady and quiet motorway cruising too.

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■ BY STEVE LOADER

FORGIVE a whiff of smugness at your local Skoda dealer this week when the all-new Superb model arrives.

For this smart new model says a final goodbye to an era that lingered overlong – Skoda jokes.

Mickey-taking began in the late 1980s when the Czech brand's rear-engine Estelle began to look hopelessly obsolete against modern Western models such as the VW Golf and Ford Escort.

A favourite jibe was "How do you double the value of a Skoda? Fill the tank."

Skodas were cheap, spacious and rugged and extra traction gained from pairing engine and driving wheels at the back suited poor quality roads in the old Soviet empire, but the Estelle and its optimistically named Rapid sister delivered questionable handling on modern faster roads in the UK – as I found during a wet test drive in the late 1980s.

Nevertheless, reliability and a successful rally heritage inspired loyalty amongst a small band of owners and dealers such as Adamsons at Walmer, Deal, which is now reaping the rewards of sticking with the brand for some 30 years through thick and thin.

The thin was the Estelle. Proprietor Robbie Adamson admitted: "It had its funny ways, but it cost just £2,399 and came with two-and-a-half years' warranty – quite a deal for those days.

"Skoda is so different now though, since the takeover by VW. The little Fabia is our best-seller by far and the environmentally-friendly Greenline version is creating a lot of interest, while the Octavia is a fabulous option for business users."

But he added tomorrow's unveiling of the luxurious yet still affordable new Superb would complete the brand's transformation.

Prices start from £15,490 and threaten cars like the Ford Mondeo, forthcoming Vauxhall Insignia and even the German executive marques.

Unlike the outgoing car, a stretched and 'warmed over' VW Passat, the new car is a

# Feeling smug at Skoda – but no jokes please



TEAM: Adamsons has a long-established commitment to Skoda says proprietor Robbie Adamson (fourth from left)

completely new model with dual-purpose load space access via a conventional bootlid that can also become a hatchback at the touch of a button.

Mr Adamson said it could satisfy those who liked hatchbacks for their ability to cope with big loads and those who preferred the 'executive' look of a booted saloon.



EVOLVING: Rear engine Estelle (above) spawned Skoda jokes ...but the all-new Superb (below) will end them once and for all



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Visit us on Thursday 24th July from 9:30 to 4:30 for your exclusive first look.

Model shown is New Superb Elegance 1.8 TSI 160bhp at £21,475 RRP including optional metallic paint at £400 RRP. Official fuel consumption in mpg (litres/100km) for the New Superb Range: Urban 19.0 (14.9) – 38.7 (7.3), Extra-urban 40.9 (6.9) – 58.9 (4.8), Combined 28.2 (10.0) – 49.6 (5.7). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (g/km) Superb Range 151 – 238 g/km.  
Details are correct at time of going to print (July 2008) – see your local retailer for more information.

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### ALFA ROMEO

146 TI, 5 door, p 1996, a car that will one day become a collectors item, this car is a 2 owner from new with full service history mainly dealer, it has the 2.0 engine which produces 150bhp, along with a 5 speed manual gearbox, a test drive is welcome as well as any inspection, it is available against this car, red, 94000 miles, £1495, Courtenay Cars, Chipping, Ashford, 01233 714848 (TRADE)

BREVA, IT, g57ff, alarm, anti-lock brakes, climate control, drivers airbag, leather interior, metallic paint, passenger airbag, power steering, remote central locking, side airbags, special alloy wheel, split/folding rear seats, sunroof, tinted glass, traction control, trip computer, red, 200 miles, £21995, Thames Group Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (THAU)

SPIDER, 3.2 V6, lg57ff, alloy wheels, anti-lock brakes, climate control, drivers airbag, electric windows, leather interior, metallic paint, passenger airbag, power steering, remote central locking, side airbags, special alloy wheel, split/folding rear seats, sunroof, tinted glass, traction control, trip computer, black, 9000 miles, £24995, Thames Group Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (THAU)

PIPER, 2.0 4 Sport 5dr, 03/10/2002, cd player, abs alarm, drivers airbag, power steering, immobiliser, electric windows, silver, 58488 miles, £6499, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

A2, 1.4 Sport 5dr, 03/10/2002, cd player, abs alarm, drivers airbag, power steering, immobiliser, electric windows, silver, 58488 miles, £6499, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

A3, 2.0 TDI Sport 5dr, 123601127, abs, air bag, t/a, air bags, side air bags, alarm, traction control, climate control, electric windows, electric windows, rear wash/wipe, electric mirrors, front fog lamps, speed limiter, immobiliser, centre armrest, electric seats, cloth upholstery, power steering, trip computer, child locks, quick-clear screen, dual climate zones, steering, radio, cd player, 17" alloys, lava grey met, 48632 miles, £12499, AutoPanel Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

TT, Quattro 1.8 20V T 225PS, dec 2001 wfx5ds, three previous keepers, power steering, remote central locking, climate control, electric windows, 6 speed gear box, full service history, single cd player, twin & side airbags, abs brakes, esp, engine immobiliser, car alarm, on-board computer, electronic mirrors, front fog lamps, tinted glass, ad, steering column, seat height adjuster, grey leather interior, sports seats, heated seats, headrests, alloy wheels, brilliant black metallic, 45, 500 miles, £12, 995, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 644771 (TRADE)

6 SERIES, 120d SE Avant, 0y56ru, immobiliser, remote central locking, colour coded interior, full leather, centre armrest, electric seats, fold down rear seats, rear armrest, rear headrests, adjustable steering column, cruise control, power steering, stability control, abs, child locks, multiple airbags, colour coded body, front fog lamps, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, roof rails, electric mirrors, electric windows, climate control, cd player, radio cassette, alloy wheels, black, 68000 miles, £9900, AR Cars, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

6 SE, lg51nf, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, head restraints, rear headrests, power steering, abs, air bag, electric mirrors, electric windows, cd player, metallic paintwork, colour coded body, multifunction steering wheel, air conditioning, climate control, multi-function steering wheel, parking sensor, ad, rear view mirror, traction control, trip computer, 19" alloys, titan silver met, 9500 miles, £5999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

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3, 2002, dolphin grey, 63008 miles, £8995, WU King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

5 SERIES, 520i SE, lg510l, remote central locking, fold down rear seats, head restraints, rear headrests, power steering, abs, air bag, electric mirrors, electric windows, cd player, metallic paintwork, colour coded body, multifunction steering wheel, air conditioning, climate control, multi-function steering wheel, parking sensor, ad, rear view mirror, traction control, trip computer, 17" alloys, titan silver met, 9500 miles, £5999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

6 SERIES, 645ci coupe, 2004, mystic blue with black leather, 39000 miles, £18950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

7 SERIES, 730i AUTO, 2002, oxford green metallic with beige nappa exclusive, 79000 miles, £11950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

X5, 3.0 SPORT AUTO, dvo3nq, blue, 70975 miles, £16000, Big Motoring World, Romford Heath, 01732 220555 (TRADE)

Z3, 1.9 Roadster Convertible 2d 1895cc, p180jn, abs braking system, alloy wheels, leather seats, electric windows & mirrors, front fog lamps, tinted glass, ad, steering column, seat height adjuster, grey leather interior, sports seats, heated seats, headrests, alloy wheels, brilliant black metallic, 45, 500 miles, £12, 995, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 644771 (TRADE)

1.8 20R, 2002, trim: leather engine: 180 transmission: manual no. of doors: 2, green, 14000 miles, £14995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

### BENTLEY

ARNAGE, red label auto, 2001, bimini silver with black leather, 50000 miles, £4950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

### CADILLAC

CTS, cts 3.6 sport luxury v6, 2005, light platinum with black leather, 50000 miles, £4950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

CHEVROLET

CAPTIVA, LTZ 2.0, gk08wv, finished in denim blue with black interior, blue, 4000 miles, £2295, caffyns chevrolet t wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

KALOS, S 1.2, lg57gx, finished in sports blue with black interior, blue, 1000 miles, £6295, caffyns chevrolet t wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

LACETTI, SX 1.6, lg55cy, finished in silver with interior, silver, 33000 miles, £5895, caffyns chevrolet t wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

FESTA, 1.4 Ghia 3dr (2003 - 2005, 15/04/2005, cd player, driver airbag power steering, electric windows, 18/1979 miles, £6995, Invicta Motors, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 1.8 TDCi Zetec 5dr (6), climate controlled air, tire pressure monitor, ztek pac, abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, central locking, climate control, insurance group: 77, blue, 11811 miles, £13990, SMC Ford, Crayford, 0844 4999792 (TRADE)

SIRION, 1.3 SE Hatchback 5dr Auto, 08/2008, p8 remote locking electric windows, alloy, rear parking sensors, black, 1, 000 miles, £10, 145, Cherton Motor House, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

MATERIA, 08/2008, alloy wheels, twin reverse, tinted glass, a/c, remote locking, electric windows, fog lamps, reverse park sensors & much more!, dark grey, 1000 miles, £14995, E-SURED Cars UK, Broadstairs, 0845 6447751 (TRADE)

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For application forms and further information, contact: KCA (UK), Dan House, 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT. Telephone 01795 590635, Fax 01795 539351, Email [recruitment@kca.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@kca.org.uk), [www.kca.org.uk](http://www.kca.org.uk).

**Closing Date:** 25th July 2008

**Interview Date:** To be arranged

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**Salary: £29,267-£32,898 Ref: KS01**

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**Closing date: Friday, 8 August 2008**

**Interview: Wednesday, 27 August 2008**

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**Salary: Circa £47,000 Ref: KS03**

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**Interviews: TBC**

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### REF: 497 - DAY PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATOR - MARGATE

**SCP 29-35 £23,749 - £28,172 (pay award pending) - 37 hours**

You will work in close collaboration with the Service Manager to ensure the efficient and effective running of the Day Programme service within the locality. You will support the Service Manager in providing a structured Day Programme to DRR and voluntary service users, ensuring that the Day Programme fully meets contractual requirements. Responsibilities include the planning and delivery of group activities and line management of staff. You will help to ensure that the Day Programme is fully integrated with other local and organisation-wide services and will work closely with partner agencies within an agreed strategic framework. You should be committed to the principles and practice of equality of opportunity for service users and staff.

You should have comprehensive experience within the drug & alcohol field, coupled with sound organisational skills, including the ability to plan and prioritise your own workload. You should have experience of working within a groupwork setting and be qualified to diploma level or hold a professional qualification within a relevant field.

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Closing date: Friday 25th July 2008 at midday

Interview date: Friday 1st August 2008

If you would like to discuss this post further please call Linda Ranger on 01227 781 297

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### Lecturer in Key Skills – Hairdressing

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Post Ref: 06/149

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To apply for one of the above vacancies; please send a recent CV and covering letter, stating the position applied for, to: Helen Dallimore-Jones, Human Resources Manager, Port Lympne Wild Animal Park, Port Lympne Nr Hythe, Kent, CT21 4PD. E-mail: [personnel@howletts.net](mailto:personnel@howletts.net)

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Closing date: Monday 4th August 2008

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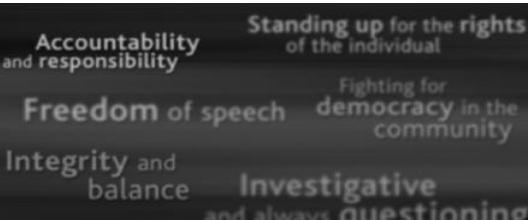
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We are looking to engage a highly motivated, organised individual who has empathy with this client group. The post holder will be required to co-ordinate the activities and take responsibility for the Nacro 14-16 year old Alternative Curriculum programmes across Kent and Medway. This post will suit someone who has a background in education and who is keen to ensure that all young people receive the education appropriate to their needs.

## KEY SKILLS TRAINER (Maternity Cover)

£17,658 to £19,658 per Annum (inc. Labour Market Uplift)

We work in partnership to deliver our successful Entry to Employment Programme (e2e). This programme is for young people aged 16 - 18 and requires an enthusiastic, Lively, Creative individual to join our staff team. You will be experienced in using imaginative new techniques to encourage young people to take opportunities offered to progress them into further education, training or employment. Experience in employer engagement would be desirable.

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## TRAINER (Schools Programmes)

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We hold the contract to deliver the 50/50 element of the Key Stage 4 Engagement Programme and work in partnership with schools and Local Education Authority to re-engage Key Stage 4 Learners.

You will be experienced in using imaginative new techniques to encourage young people to take up vocational and work related opportunities offered to them through the programme and have an interest in teaching a variety of subjects to young people. Experience of working with challenging behaviour would be an advantage.

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## SWITCH ON PROJECT MANAGER

£24,535 per annum

Nacro has been awarded an ESF contract to deliver a project for 14-16 year olds across Kent and Medway and Sussex. The project (called Switch On) aims to assist young people's transition into employment and training. You should have experience of managing successful ESF projects, the ability to develop provision and a track record of successful engagement with 14-16 year olds and other stakeholders. Working closely with the Area Manager for Kent and Nacro's Regional Performance team, you will also need to work with partner organisations to ensure the project is effective across the whole area. The post is dependent on ESF funding and is currently until 2010.

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## Network Manager

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**Tunbridge Wells, across Broadwater Children's Centre and St Paul's Children's Centre**

In the context of promoting the Government's Early Years Agenda, Every Child Matters and The Children's Plan, Ashford local Children's Services Partnership offers an exciting opportunity across Ashford for a range of skilled, creative and committed people to join in the development of Children's Centres and Programmes to provide a comprehensive range of services for children under 5 and their families in a friendly environment. Children's Centres are being developed across Kent as part of the Government's commitment to provide the best start in life for every child, support for parents, good quality childcare and safer, stronger communities.

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**Closing date: Midday, 30th July 2008.**

Kent Safe Schools is widely recognised as a successful countywide organisation, highly skilled in developing peer-led approaches to tackling social issues and improving outcomes for children and young people across Kent.

## Kent Restorative Justice Co-ordinator

**Starting salary £29,920, with progression through contribution related pay to £35,370 per annum**  
**Fixed term until 31st March 2010 and is dependent on continued funding Countywide - base negotiable**

We are currently seeking an individual with the skills necessary to lead on the successful implementation of the Restorative Practice schools accreditation scheme. To achieve this it will be necessary to forge excellent working relationships with headteachers and other key partners to develop effective training, guidance, resources and support for schools and the wider community.

The ability to work collaboratively to influence change within the school and wider environment is essential, as is an extensive knowledge and experience of Restorative Practices.

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**Closing date: Midday, 12th August 2008.**

## Kent Safe Schools Project Officer

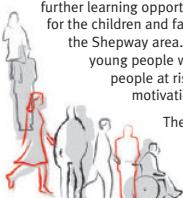
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## Invicta House, Maidstone

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The service, hosted by Kent County Council and funded by the Office of Fair Trading, is delivered from our state-of-the-art Contact Centre in central Maidstone.

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Working hours are subject to a shift pattern that will include some weekend work. Ref: CMY/08/0176

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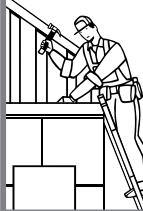
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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### No empty promise as rates issue builds up

A CAMPAIGN against business rates for empty commercial premises being waged by the Thanet and East Kent Chamber has gone to the highest levels.

Chief executive David Foley and president Bill Moses met the area director of South East England Development Agency, Dr Susan Priest, who is responsible for Kent and Medway in Chatham.

They stressed that with the building of new shops, offices, factories and warehouses by the private sector coming to a virtual stop, some companies are even demolishing their empty buildings to avoid paying business rates.

Dr Priest will raise the issue with the Government Office of the South East.

### Take a flyer to win voucher for restaurant

DINERS who nominate their favourite restaurants to OrderOnlineNow, a new free web-based takeaway food ordering and reservation service, will receive a voucher to eat at restaurants which join the on-line community.

It is being launched in Kent with a million promotional fliers being distributed. Once established here, the model will be rolled out across the country.

Customers will be able to search and choose restaurants, select food and order takeaways, home deliveries and reserve a table. It's the brainchild of Betherden businessman Andrew Frisby.

### Uni joins research team studying 'third sector'

THE University of Kent has joined forces with other institutions to develop research and analysis into groups such as charities, social enterprises and small community organisations.

Collectively known as the 'third sector', the university has forged links with the University of Birmingham's Third Sector Research Centre.

The centre receives funding from the Economic and Social Research Council, Office of the Third Sector and The Barrow Cadbury Trust. It will receive £10.25 million over the next five years.

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Business Editor Tony Patey looks ahead as the credit crunch bites

# Investments fuel employment boom

And science park bucks trend in commercial property

■ BY TONY PATEY

MORE than 1,600 new jobs have been created in Ashford in the past year – according to an organisation given the task of managing the growth of the town.

Ashford is thought to be the fastest-growing town between London and continental Europe, with ambitious plans to create 28,000 new jobs and build 31,000 homes by 2031.

About £2.5 billion of public and private sector money is expected to be invested in the town – which with Thames Gateway is earmarked as a major growth area.

Training in highly-skilled sectors is growing. For example, Hitachi Rail Maintenance opened its train centre in October, and gives the town's school and college leavers chances to join an apprenticeship scheme.

Judith Armitt, managing director of Ashford's Future, said: "This is an exciting time for the town. We can predict many others will soon find Ashford best placed to do business."

Locate in Kent, the county's investment promotion agency, assisted companies to create or retain 1,047 jobs in Ashford between April 2007 and this April.

Chief executive Paul Wookey said: "Half our successes have been in the ICT sector, with other jobs



GREEN ROOF PROPOSALS: A computer-generated image showing the new entrance planned for Kent Science Park, Sittingbourne

being created in construction and property, financial services, engineering and printing. Furthermore, 75 per cent were knowledge-based jobs indicating the town is attracting a high-quality workforce."

Major development plans have been unveiled at Kent Science Park, near Sittingbourne, involving £25m-worth of investment over the next five years and the creation of 500 new jobs – increasing the total there by a half.

Proposals, which could also

prove to be controversial, include a new arrivals centre, for which a planning application has just been lodged with Swale council.

Another proposal is the development of further technology units following the success of the recently completed first phase of new buildings.

The most significant investment is in the extension of the park by four hectares, from 22 hectares.

This is to accommodate tenants

who are expanding, and new companies, within 129,000 sq ft of new commercial property as the park bucks the trend in the commercial property market.

As part of these proposals the park is consulting with residents, in particular those who live on Ruins Barn Road and Broadoak Road, hosting a public meeting, and producing a newsletter and a website which contains details of the proposals.

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## Park hold strong in battle with rivals

FOLKESTONE'S second string proved to be too strong for their counterparts from Sibton Park as they earned a winning draw at the weekend.

Batting first, Folkestone's batters proved to be in good form as they put together enough partnerships to score 258-6.

In reply, Folkestone's bowlers managed to keep a reign on the Sibton batsmen as they ended on 202-9.

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Kent racer Jay Bridger on his chance of winning the Formula 3 Championship

# Folkestone win puts Sibton in the drop zone

FOLKESTONE earned the bragging rights as they beat local rivals Sibton Park by 58 runs at the weekend.

The home side won the toss and elected to bat, but lost opener Luke Samarasinghe early on for eight. Daniel Clark (48) and Himanshu Waingankar (48) put on a partnership of 67 for the second wicket, but from there things went downhill for the home side. They continued to lose wickets and in the end limped to 173-8 from their 50 overs.

Christopher Spring and Ben Allon were chief tormentors with three wickets apiece, while Chris Heath and Trevor Lewis both claimed a wicket.

The away side suffered a dreadful

## CRICKET

■ BY GLENN PEARSON

start, losing opener John Osbourne without a run on the board.

Spring steadied the ship for Sibton with a well-crafted 52, but wickets continued to fall at the other end.

John Champion claimed 4-17 and Samarasinghe 4-33 to inflict defeat on their rivals as Sibton slumped to 115 all out.

The win moved Folkestone up to fifth in Division One, while Sibton Park remain rooted at the bottom of the league.



STEADY: Folkestone beat local rivals Sibton Park, taking them up to fifth

## Kent League Division One

Folkestone 1st XI v Sibton Park 1st XI

### Folkestone

	Runs		Runs
Daniel Clark b Allon	48	John Osborn ct Graham b Bray	0
Luke Samarasinghe lbw b Lewis	8	Ben Allon lbw b Champion	17
H Waingankar ct Allon b Spring	48	Christopher Spring c & b Champion	52
Craig Coleman c & b Spring	0	Tom Payne b Champion	0
Sher Khanagha ct Newman b Allon	6	Jamie Keefer c b Samarasinghe	11
Laurence Ward b Spring	4	Steve Hobbs c & b Samarasinghe	9
David Miles ct Hobbs b Allon	14	Leadbetter ct Champion b Samarasinghe	2
Andy Bray ct Newman b Heath	8	Martin Wren lbw b Samarasinghe	2
John Champion not out	10	Chris Heath lbw b Waingankar	9
Stewart Graham not out	8	Sam Newman b Champion	1
Michael James did not bat	0	Trevor Lewis not out	1
Extras (4lb 5lb 5nb)	19	Extras (1lb 3lb 6nb)	11
Total (8 wickets, 50 overs)	173	Total (all out, 42.2 overs)	115

### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W
Trevor Lewis	15	5	34	1	Andy Bray	6	1	23	1
Sam Newman	6	0	25	0	Michael James	5	1	19	0
Chris Heath	12	1	47	1	John Champion	15	5	17	4
Christopher Spring	10	0	31	3	Craig Coleman	4	0	21	0
Ben Allon	7	0	27	3	Luke Samarasinghe	11	2	33	4
					H Waingankar	0.2	0	0	1

### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W
Andy Bray	6	1	23	1	Will Dear	2	0	15	0
Michael James	5	1	19	0	Peter Thompson	12	1	46	1
John Champion	15	5	17	4	Dale Mewitt	3	0	16	0
Craig Coleman	4	0	21	0	Stephen Freed	not out			21
Luke Samarasinghe	11	2	33	4					
H Waingankar	0.2	0	0	1					

## LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

### KENT PREMIER LEAGUE

Beckenham 1st XI v  
Sandwich Town 1st XI

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 1E

Kennington 1st XI  
v Old Hartsdonians 1st XI

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 1A

#### Yalding 1st XI v

#### Deal Victoria & Barns Close 1st XI

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 2A

Macknade 2nd XI  
v Bettleshanger Colliery Welfare 2nd XI

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 2B

A DISAPPOINTING display with the bat cost Bettleshanger as they lost by 90 runs at Macknade. The Swale side scored 195-9 from their 46 overs thanks to a half century from Mark Cook. Gareth Friend finished with figures of 3-38 and Martin Cheeseman ended with 3-31.

When it was Bettleshanger's turn to bat, only Barry Wilson with 33 showed the necessary application before he became one of three wickets for Andy Perkin. Cheeseman with 17 was the only other batsmen to register double figures as the away side were bowled out for 105.

### Kennington

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# Hess signs trialists ahead of campaign

## FOOTBALL

BY TOM HOWARD

DOVER Athletic boss Andy Hessianthalier has added to his squad ahead of the new season with Jerahl Hughes and Josh Massbach agreeing terms with the Ryman Premier League club.

Both Hughes and Massbach have impressed while on trial with the reigning Ryman South champions, which has seen Hessianthalier move quickly.

Hughes, who scored for Dover last week in a pre-season friendly against Folkestone, has signed a two-year deal at Crabble.

The winger, who was a product of Crystal Palace's youth system, has been a target of Hessianthalier and assistant Darren Hare's ever since they joined the club.

Hessianthalier told *yourdover*: "Hughes on the wing looked very good against Folkestone. He has pace and can pass the ball well."

The skilful winger, who will be 19 next month, went to Worthing on loan at the end of last season.

Massbach, who can play in



NEW GAME: Jerahl Hughes (in white) signed on for Dover Athletic after showing his skills in the club's pre-season friendlies

defence or midfield, has signed on a non-contract basis at Crabble.

Hessianthalier said: "He has been out the game for a while but has impressed considering that. He almost made the England Schoolboys squad which shows he has real quality."

With the Ryman League fixtures announced last week, Dover have been handed a difficult

opening month. The Whites begin with a home match against Harrow Borough (August 16) before trips to Dartford (August 19) and AFC Hornchurch on August 23.

Hess added: "We have got to play the hard teams some time so why not get them out the way early. Dartford and Hornchurch will be tough to start with."

"I am sure there will be a massive draw at Dartford, which we will look forward to."

Midfielder Sammy Moore is likely to be out of action for two weeks after twisting his knee against Folkestone.

Dover Athletic's third pre-season friendly against League Two side Dagenham & Redbridge ended 1-1 at Crabble on Saturday.

## Cugley not surprised Bremner chose to go

## FOOTBALL

FOLKESTONE Invicta player of the season Leigh Bremner has signed for Ryman Premier League side Carshalton Athletic.

The striker scored 13 league goals in a season that saw Neil Cugley's side relegated from the Ryman Premier League on the last day of the campaign.

Invicta boss Cugley expected Bremner to leave the Buzzlins Stadium and is slightly disappointed to have lost the promising striker.

Cugley said: "To be honest, the move was not unexpected. We had tried to get hold of him this week but we had no response."

"I think he has probably received a better offer than we can produce. I am afraid that money talks in football."

"He has been a good player for us and I felt that if he stayed with us he could make it as a Conference player."

Cugley has been looking at possible strikers to add to his squad after he gave a trial to former Dover player Byron Walker in a pre-season friendly 4-0 defeat at Dover Athletic on Tuesday.

He said: "We are still looking



COSTLY: Leigh Bremner has left Folkestone to play for Carshalton

for a striker. Byron impressed me at Dover but we have Jimmy Corbett who can play up front as well as Craig Wilkins. I will continue to look at a few players I have on trial."

Former Maidstone United and Dover player Wilkins missed the pre-season friendly at Crabble with an injury.

Cugley insists they will not rush him to be fit for Invicta's next pre-season friendly against Faversham Town.

## Hythe raid Folkestone to give Town boss hope

## FOOTBALL

HYTHE Town have signed Ben Sly from Folkestone Invicta and expect former midfielder Dave Cook to rejoin the club this week.

Town boss Paul Fisk has also added 18-year-old midfielder Joe Hitching to his squad from Ashford and is delighted with his current crop of new players.

Cook, who played for the club before moving to neighbours Invicta last season, watched on as Hythe beat Kent County League side Lydd Town 5-0 on Saturday. He informed Fisk he wants to return to Hythe, but it looks as though they may have to put in a seven day approach before he is able to sign.

Fisk said: "I spoke to Dave Cook at Lydd and he wants to come back to Hythe. We have got in contact with Folkestone and I don't think their manager Neil Cugley is very happy and has asked us to put in an official approach."

"We had about 20 players at Lydd which is a good start so I think our biggest problem is working out what our best formation is and who our best players are to start the season."



FLYING: Hythe have a good crop of new players to start the season

With the addition of Cook, Sly and Hitching, Hythe should again be fighting for a place at the top of the Kent League.

However, Fisk is concerned the budgets at other clubs in the division will make the Kent League even more competitive.

He said: "We would have high expectations if it were not for other teams in the Kent League signing star players and having better finances."

"We are just quietly but confidently going about our business and we will be aiming to do as well as last season."



IN FORM: Kent celebrate reaching Twenty20 finals

## Tickets sell out as Spittires fans head to the Rose Bowl

## CRICKET

THE KENT Spittires travel to the Rose Bowl this weekend looking to make it back-to-back Twenty20 trophy wins.

Rob Key's side face the Essex Eagles in the first semi-final of the day, but the winners will not only boast of a place in the afternoon's final, they will also be the first county to represent England in this summer's inaugural Champions League.

Spittires fans have been flocking to the St Lawrence Ground to get their tickets for Saturday's Twenty20 finals day at Hampshire's Rose Bowl.

The demand for tickets has been so high that the club have had to get more from the Rose Bowl, making Kent the best-supported club in the final.

The club sold their allocation last week and have gone back for a further 300 tickets because demand in the county has been so high.

Kent's commercial and operations director Jon Fordham said the club were a little taken aback at the demand to see Key's side in the final.

He said: "It has been a novel experience which took us by surprise, really, because of the level of interest from supporters."

"Last year for Twenty20 finals day we had to return about 500 tickets of the 1,600 we were given."

"But we sold out our allocation by Thursday morning and we managed to get a further 300 from the Rose Bowl."

"By the looks of it we will have sold 1,800 tickets, which will make Kent the best-supported club out of the four finalists."

While the Twenty20 tickets have been selling like the proverbial hot cakes, so too have places for the Friends Provident Trophy final against the Essex Eagles at Lord's on August 16.

The club have already sold their 4,500 allocation and Fordham has been selling a further 1,000 that he received last week.

Essex are yet to put their tickets on sale and it is expected they will be unable to sell their allocation and may have to return some. Fordham has not ruled out asking for some more for Kent if the demand is still high.

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